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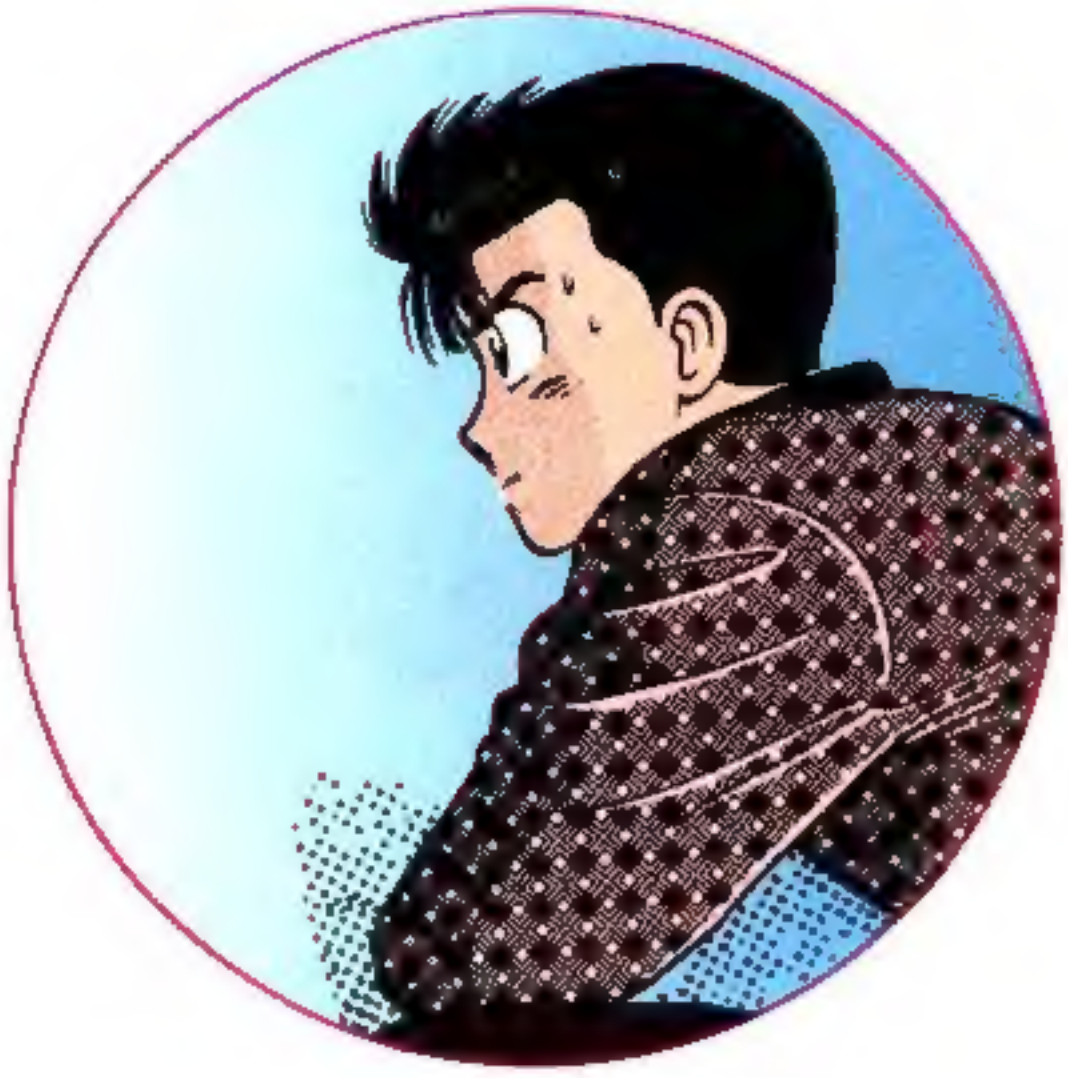

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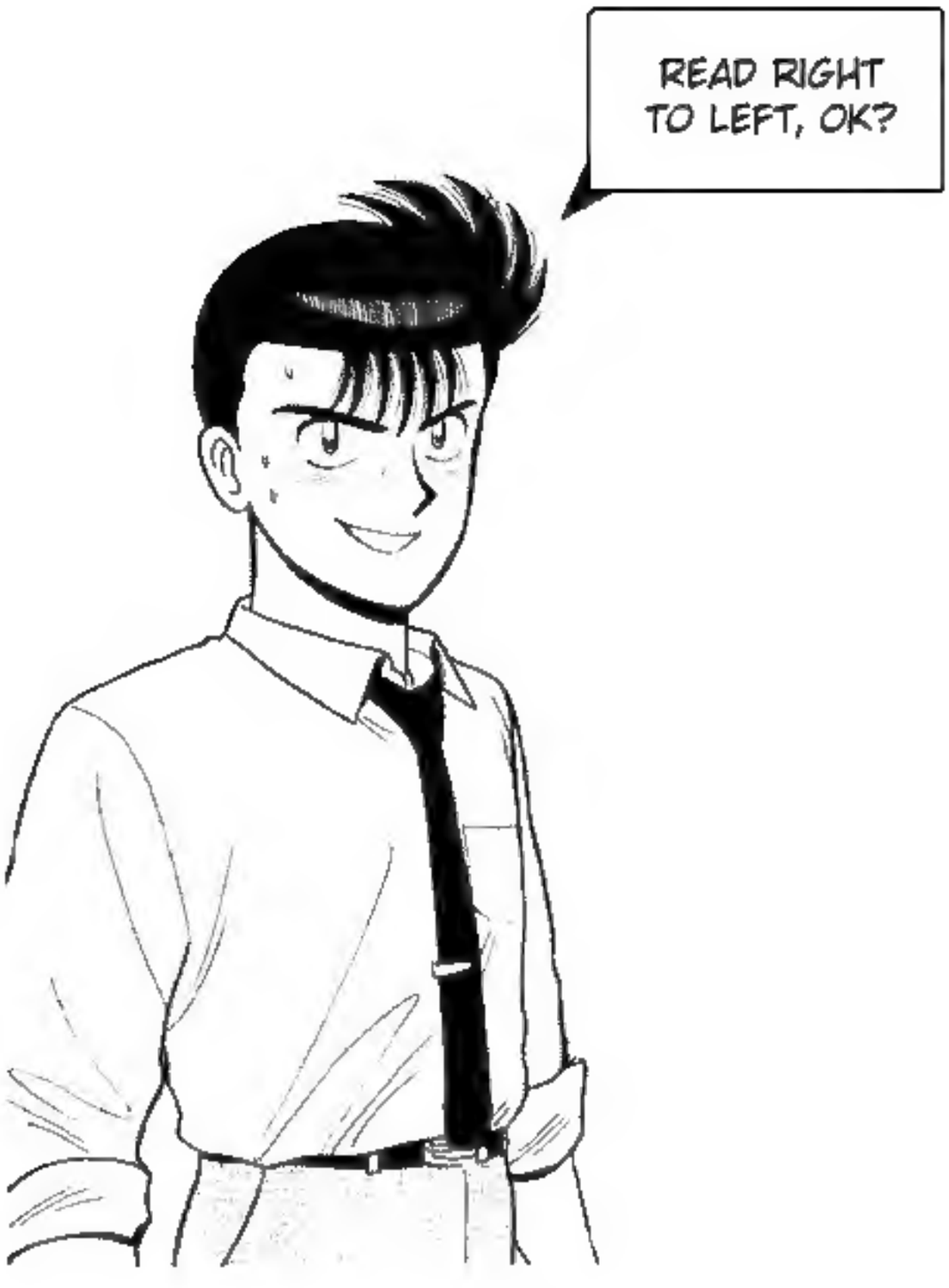


MISS SAEKI, OVER HERE

THE MANAGER WASN'T IN. WHAT A PITY

SORRY TO MAKE YOU WAIT

HE'S BUSY GETTING THE OPEN TOURNAMENT IN TOWN READY FOR LATER

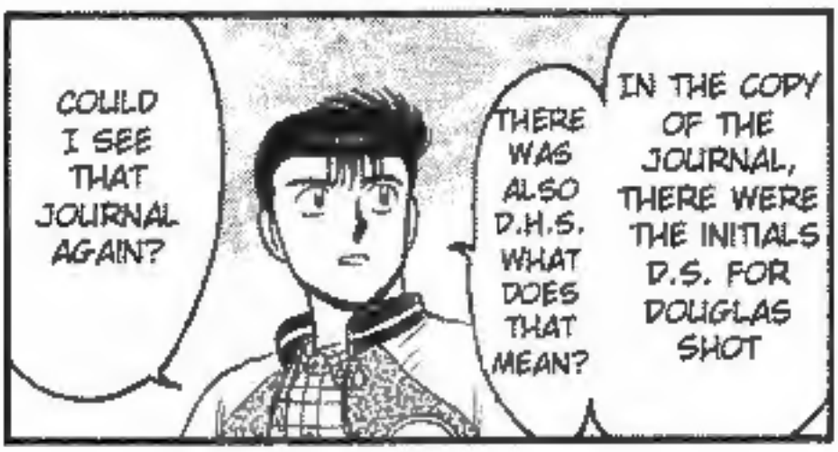
OF COURSE

EVERYONE'S BUSY

THANKS, CHINMI
AH..
YOU'RE A GREAT BILLIARDS PLAYER!
THAT GAME WAS AMAZING!

OUR STICKS ARE SIBLINGS, CHINMI..
.. BOTH MADE BY DOUGLAS MOOD

THE SKULL STICK
DO YOU HAVE IT?


COULD I SEE THAT JOURNAL AGAIN?
THERE WAS ALSO D.H.S. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
IN THE COPY OF THE JOURNAL, THERE WERE THE INITIALS D.S. FOR DOUGLAS SHOT

YES?
MISS SAEKI, MAY I ASK YOU SOMETHING ?

BUT WHO KNOWS?
I'M NOT SURE
WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO FIND?
OH, OF COURSE

COFFEE SHOP

LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN FIND ABOUT THAT AND DOUGLAS MOOD

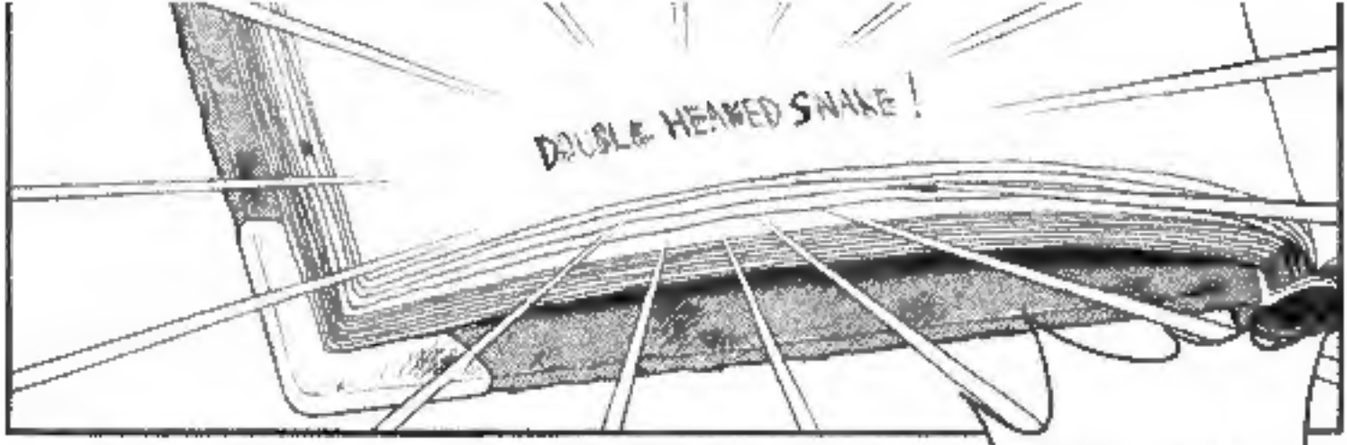
THERE WERE ABOUT 4 MATCHES WITH THOSE INITIALS

D.H.S., HUH?

HAVE A LOOK

THERE'S SOME SCRIBBLES HERE

HEY, LOOK..



THAT'S IT.. D.H.S..!!

DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE!

THE LETTERS ARE FADED

DOUGLAS SHOT IS ALSO CALLED THE SIDEWINDER..

OR THE RATTLE SNAKE

THE FOURTH LETTER IS HARD TO READ

HEADED

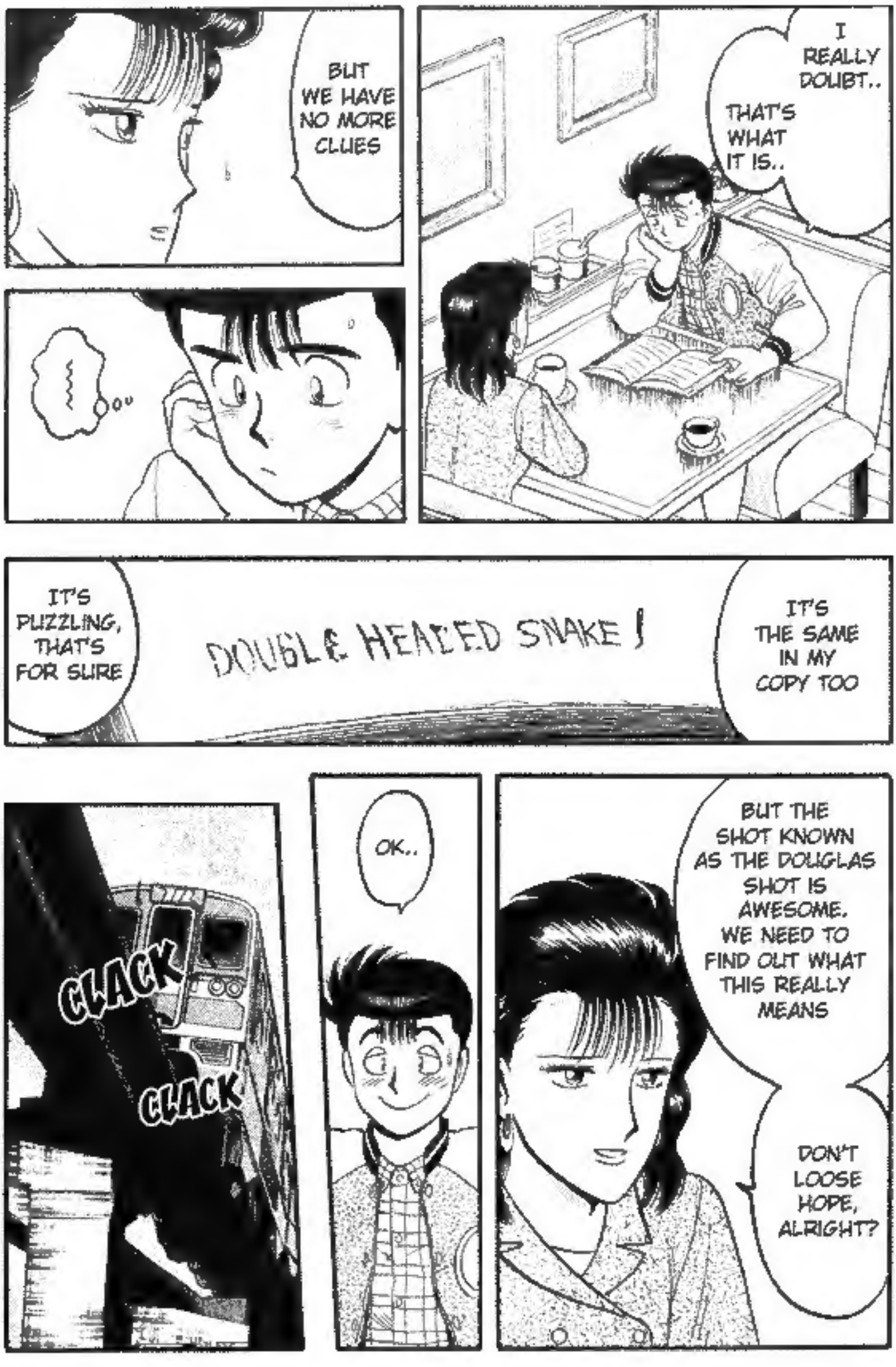
THEN THERE'S A H..

SNAKE, IT'S SNAKE

SNAKE

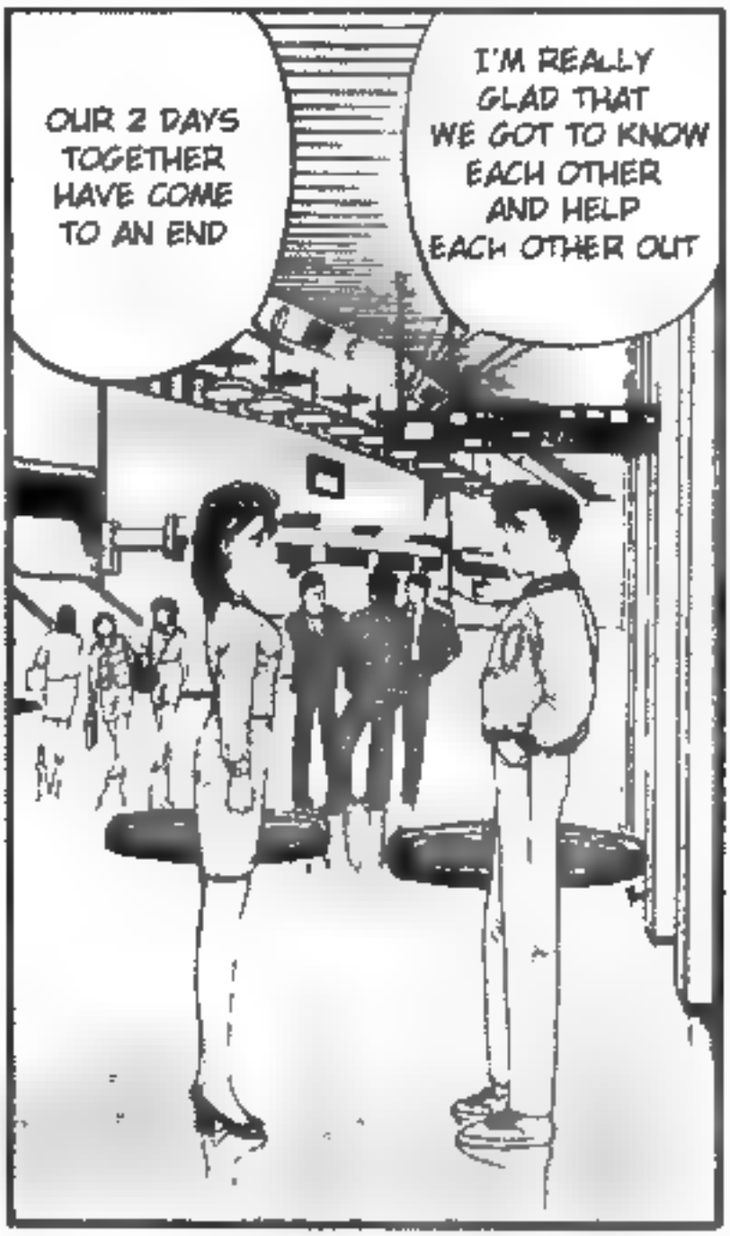
THEN COMES AN S.. IT'S..

THAT READS HEAT.. HEAT?
A LETTER T?
THE FIRST LETTER IS H. WHAT'S THE FOURTH?
HEADED
DOUGLAS HEATED SNAKE?
...
WHAT'S A HOT SNAKE?
HEADED
...
THAT READS..
CHINMI, THE FOURTH LETTER SEEMS TO BE A D, NOT A T
DOUGLAS HEADED SNAKE?
....
THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT
SO IT'S DOUGLAS HEADED SNAKE?
HEAD! THAT READS HEAD!


BUT WE HAVE NO MORE CLUES
I REALLY DOUBT..
THAT'S WHAT IT IS..
IT'S PUZZLING, THAT'S FOR SURE
DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE !
IT'S THE SAME IN MY COPY TOO
CLACK
CLACK
OK..
BUT THE SHOT KNOWN AS THE DOUGLAS SHOT IS AWESOME. WE NEED TO FIND OUT WHAT THIS REALLY MEANS
DON'T LOOSE HOPE, ALRIGHT?

TOKYO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

THANKS, AT LEAST WE KNOW THAT OUR STICKS ARE RELATED TO ONE ANOTHER


OUR 2 DAYS TOGETHER HAVE COME TO AN END
I'M REALLY GLAD THAT WE GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER AND HELP EACH OTHER OUT

ALL WE NEED NOW IS A MATCH

UNTIL NEXT TIME
IT WAS A PLEASURE MEETING YOU

DOUGLAS HEADED SNAKE. A SNAKE ON DOUGLAS' HEAD?

DOUGLAS-HEADED SNAKE

CHIN-MI

OR ON..

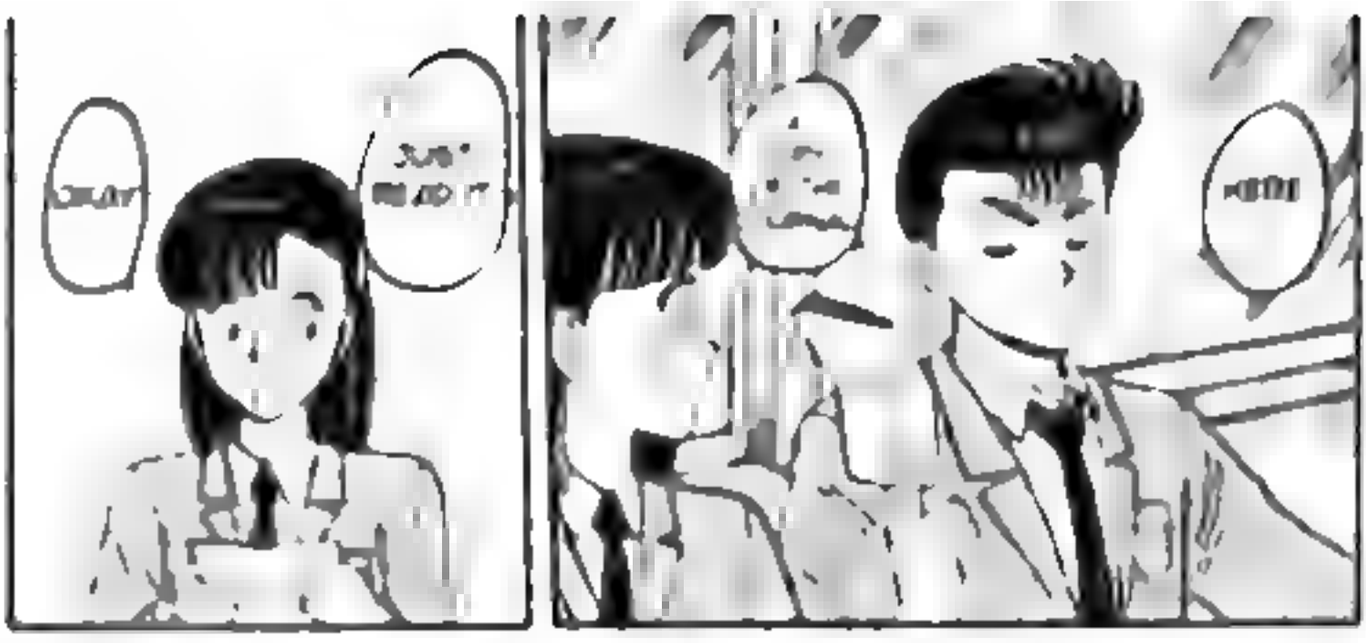
BEHIND ..

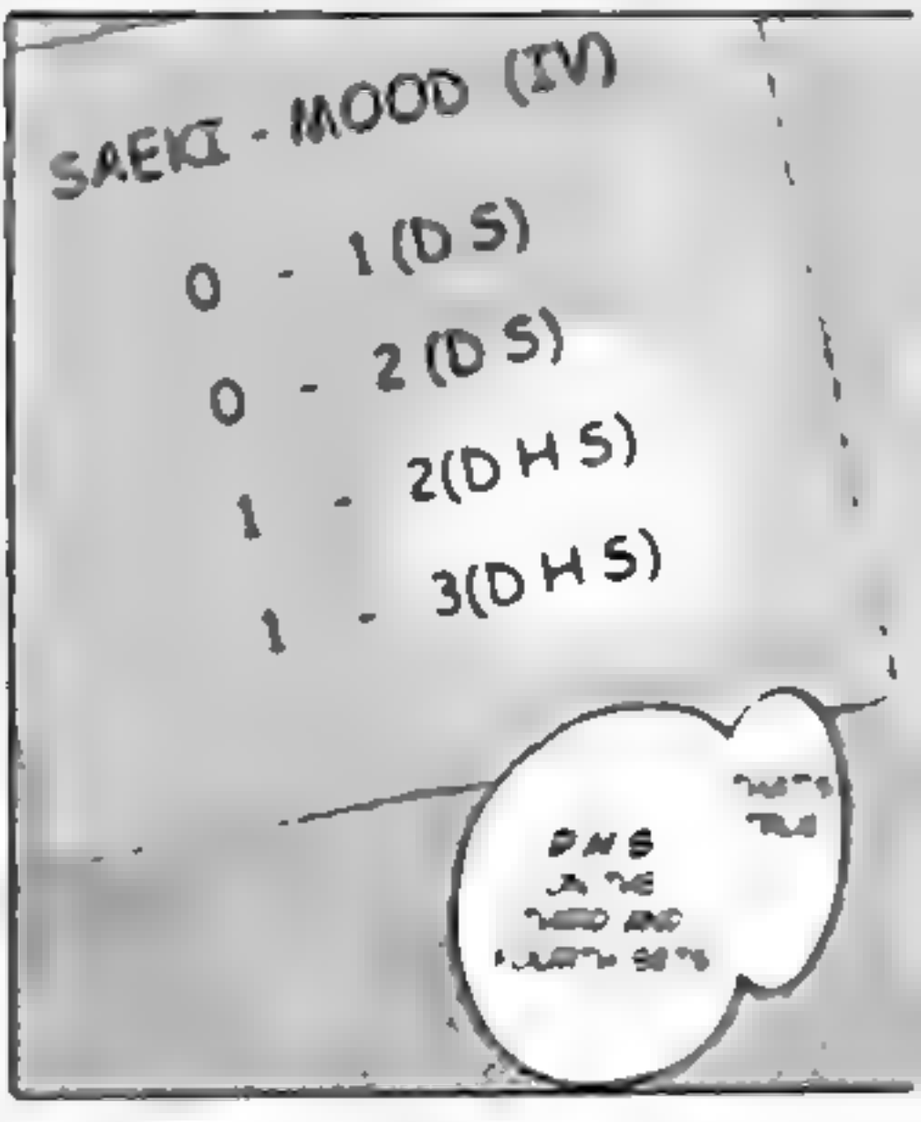
HOW WAS YOUR MEETING WITH SAEKI LAST SATURDAY?

YO

OLIVE!

ACCORDING TO THE JOURNAL, UHM.. IN 4 MATCHES THERE WAS D.S. AND THEN IT BECAME D.H.S. AND HERE LIES THE PROBLEM
HUH? WHERE WAS I?
SHE LOOKS SO PRETTY IN THE MAGAZINE
BILLIARDS ROOM
BET SHE LOOKS BETTER IN REAL LIFE
!
WHAT? IT WAS A MATCHING OUTFIT WITH A SHORT JACKET, AND THE SKIRT HAD A SLIT AND
WHAT KIND OF DRESS WAS SHE WEARING?
AND..
...
WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME THAT QUESTION?
NO... PLEASE CONTINUE!
MAKING FUN OF ME
ARE YOU TRYING TO DISTRACT ME, YOUNG LADY?




SAEKI - MOOD (IV)
0 - 1 (D S)
0 - 2 (D S)
1 - 2 (D H S)
1 - 3 (D H S)

DOUGLAS' D H S. MUST VE MISSED, THAT'S WHY HE LOST THAT ONE SET!

SAEKI WON THIRD SET DESPITE OF DOUGLAS USING D.H S.!

MAYBE HE DIDN'T HAVE FULL CONTROL AT FIRST

0 - 1(D.S)
0 - 2(D.S)
1 - 2(D H S)
1 - 3(D H S)

SO IN THE THIRD SET HE FAILED AND IN THE FOURTH SET HE SUCCEDED

DOUGLAS HEADED SNAKE!

THE LETTERS ARE BLURRY

THAT'S THE PROBLEM. THIS IS THE ONLY CLUE

That doesn't make much sense..

DOUGLAS HEADED SNAKE

D.. O.. U.. G..
L.. A.. S..

HEY..
HOW DO
YOU SPELL
DOUGLAS?

DOUGLAS HEA

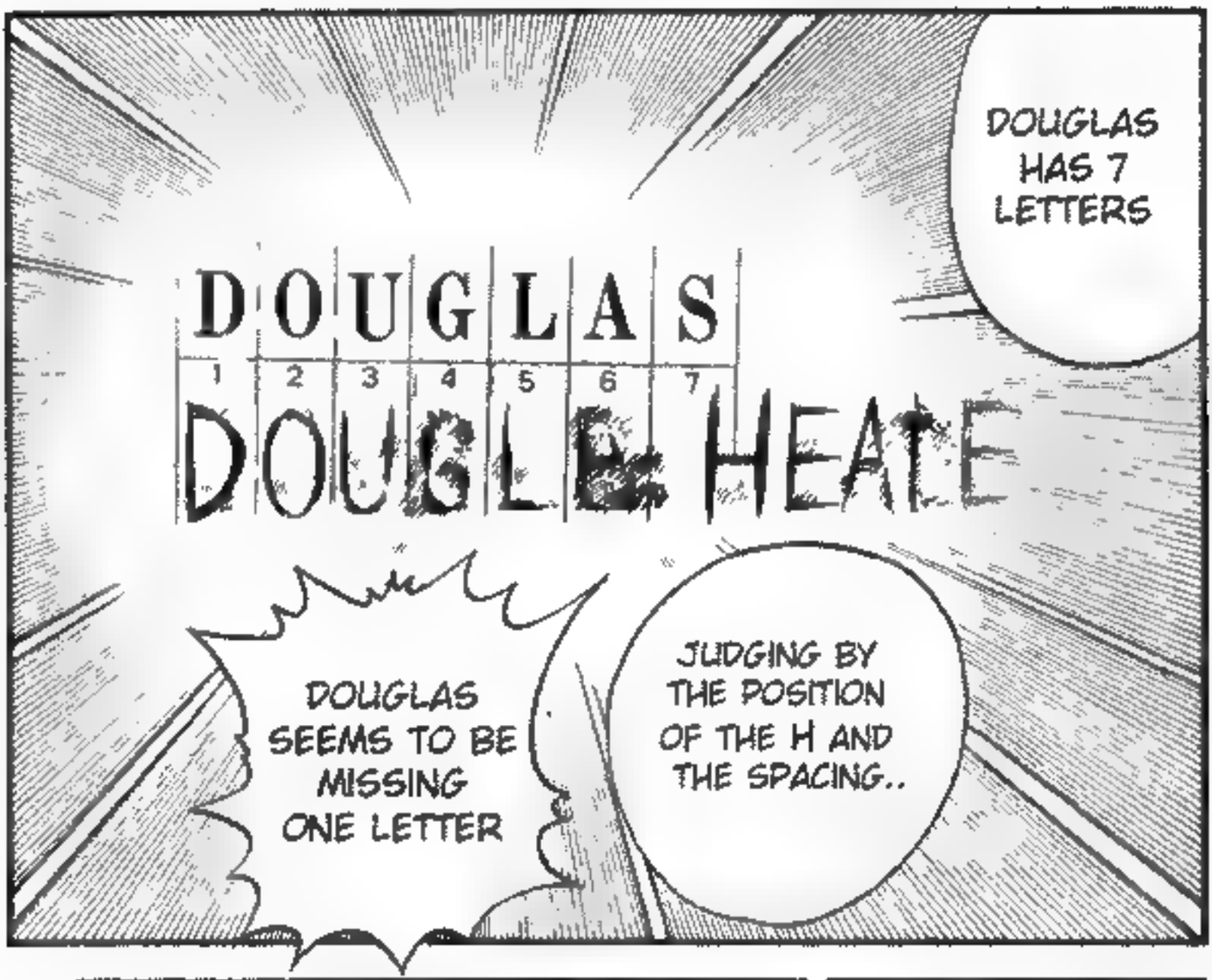
CHINMI
..

UGH
..

THIS
DOESN'T
SAY
DOUGLAS

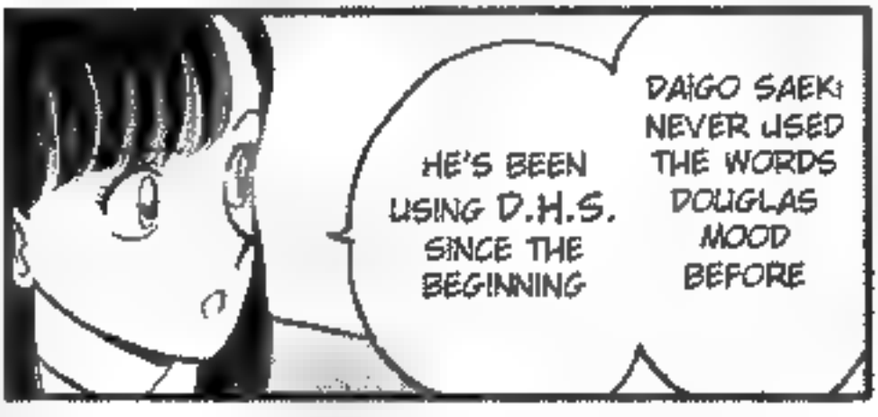
THIS STARTS
WITH D
BUT..

HUH?


DOUGLAS HAS 7 LETTERS
D O U G L A S
1 2 3 4 5 6 7
DOUGL HEATE
DOUGLAS SEEMS TO BE MISSING ONE LETTER
JUDGING BY THE POSITION OF THE H AND THE SPACING..

COULD IT BE SOME SHORT FORM, MAYBE?
BUT THE FIRST 5 LETTERS SPELL DOUGL. IT'S PERFECT

THERE HAS TO BE A REASON FOR THAT
THAT'S RIGHT!


DAIGO SAEKI NEVER USED THE WORDS DOUGLAS MOOD BEFORE
HE'S BEEN USING D.H.S. SINCE THE BEGINNING

THAT'S TRUE

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DOUGL..

WHAT DOES IT STAND FOR?

IN THE INITIALS D.S., D STOOD FOR DOUGLAS. IF THIS D DOESN'T STAND FOR DOUGLAS..

DOUGL..

DOUGL..

...

I CAN'T FIND ANYTHING ELSE

DOUBLE
WHAT IF IT ISN'T G, BUT B?
CHINMI, HAVE A LOOK AT THE FOURTH LETTER
DOUBLE
DOUBL
WHAT IF WE ADDED ANOTHER LETTER?
B??
IT STILL DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING
THAT'S RIGHT
IT FITS
IF WE ADD AN E TO THE END, IT BECOMES DOUBLE
MYSTERY SOLVED
DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE!

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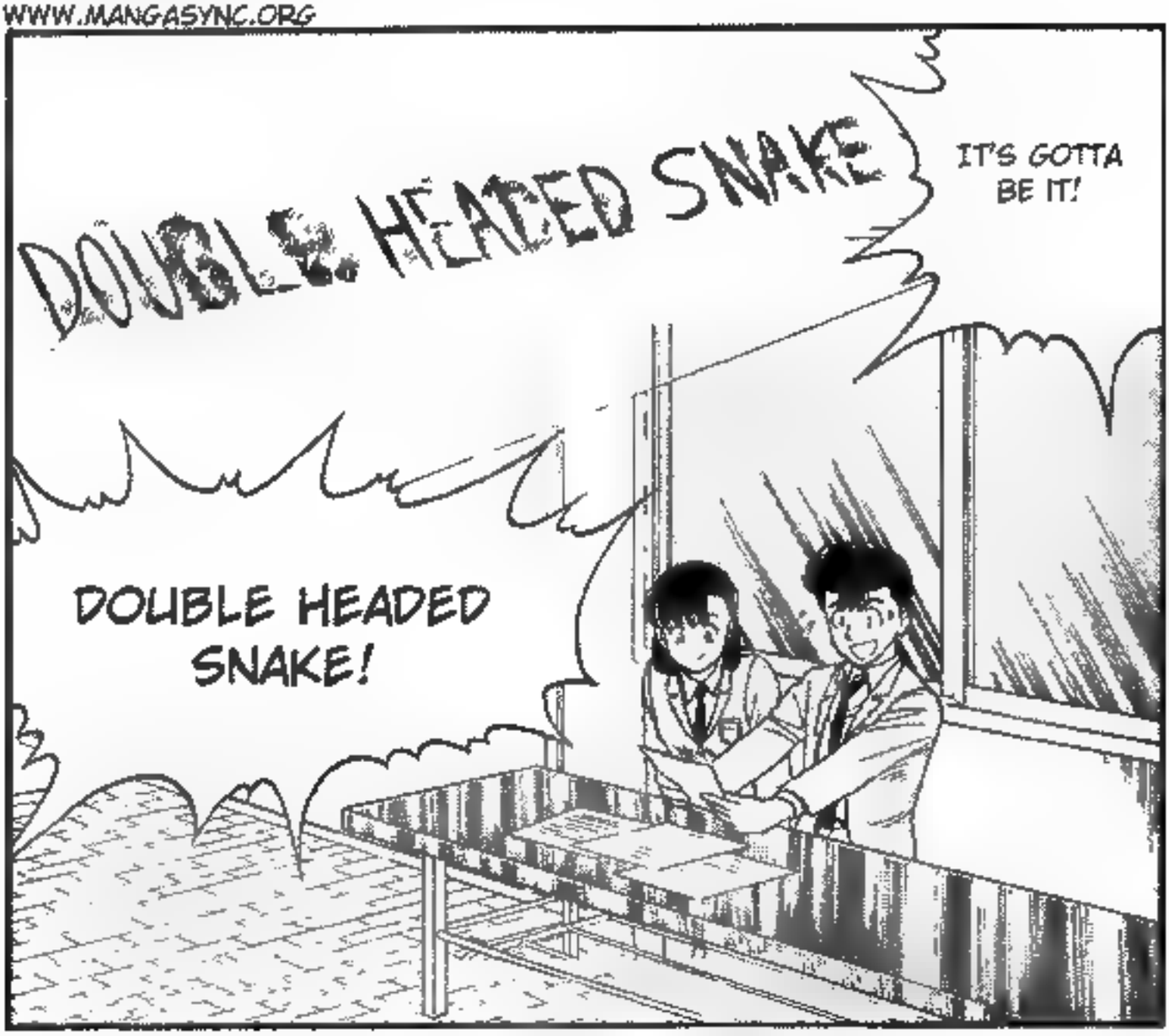

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PRETTY GOOD, PAY 19

SO THE BALL SHOULD JUMP TWICE
JUDGING BY ITS NAME... DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE
IS IT ANOTHER JUMPBALL?
PERHAPS
MAYBE ..
TWICE?
Rattle
ROTATE THE STICK..
THE CUE BALL SHOULD JUMP TWICE
WITH ONE STRIKE ...

FLY!
CUE BALL!

SWOOSH

Thack

5

8

TARGET
BALL HIT!

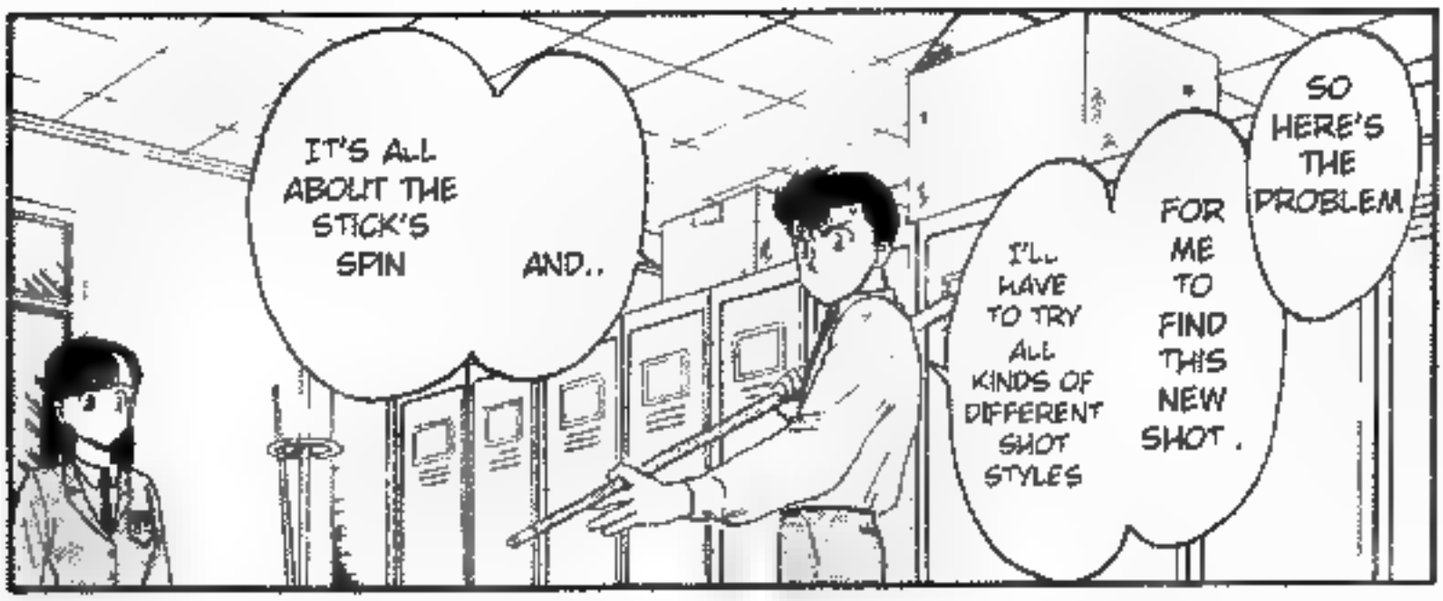
Thack

9

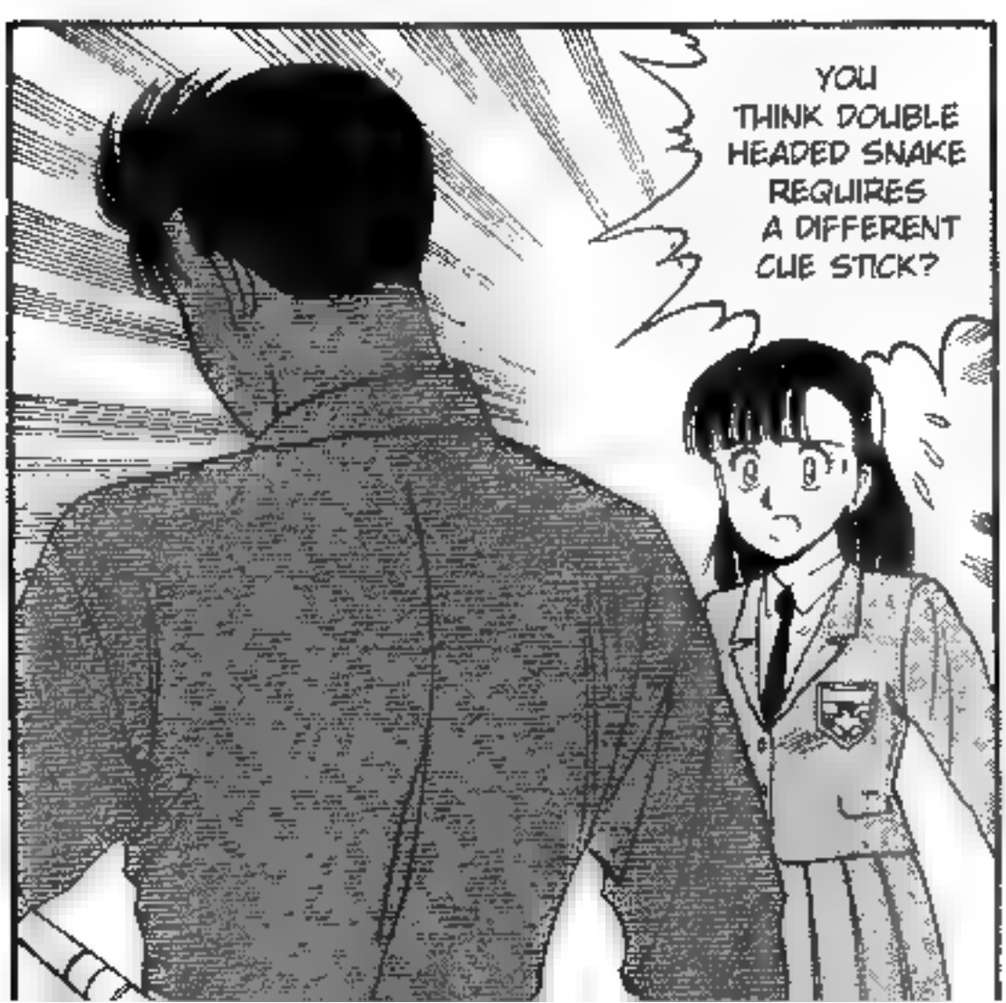
Thack

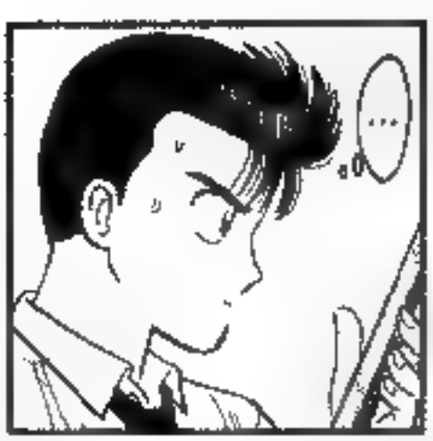
GOOD
clap
clap
clap
clap
NO MATTER WHERE IT IS, WE CAN ALWAYS SINK THE 9TH BALL
Thack
AND BECAME A LEGEND
THAT'S HOW DOUGLAS MOOD WON 60 MATCHES IN A ROW
ALL BECAUSE OF THIS DOUGLAS SHOT

IS EVEN BETTER THAN D.S.
AND THIS NEW SHOT, CALLED THE DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE..
TO CREATE A NEW SHOT OUT OF THE D.S.
BUT IT'S EASIER SAID THAN DONE
AT LEAST THAT'S HOW IT SHOULD BE
BY ALTERING THE ROTATION OF THE CUE STICK?
HE MADE A VARIATION OF THE DOUGLAS SHOT
THAT MEANS...


IT'S ALL ABOUT THE STICK'S SPIN AND..
I'LL HAVE TO TRY ALL KINDS OF DIFFERENT SHOT STYLES
FOR ME TO FIND THIS NEW SHOT.
SO HERE'S THE PROBLEM

?
AND I WOULDN'T NEED ANOTHER ONE
I THOUGH THIS STICK WAS IT


YOU THINK DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE REQUIRES A DIFFERENT CUE STICK?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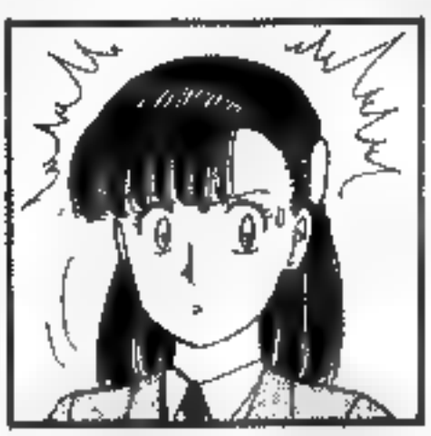
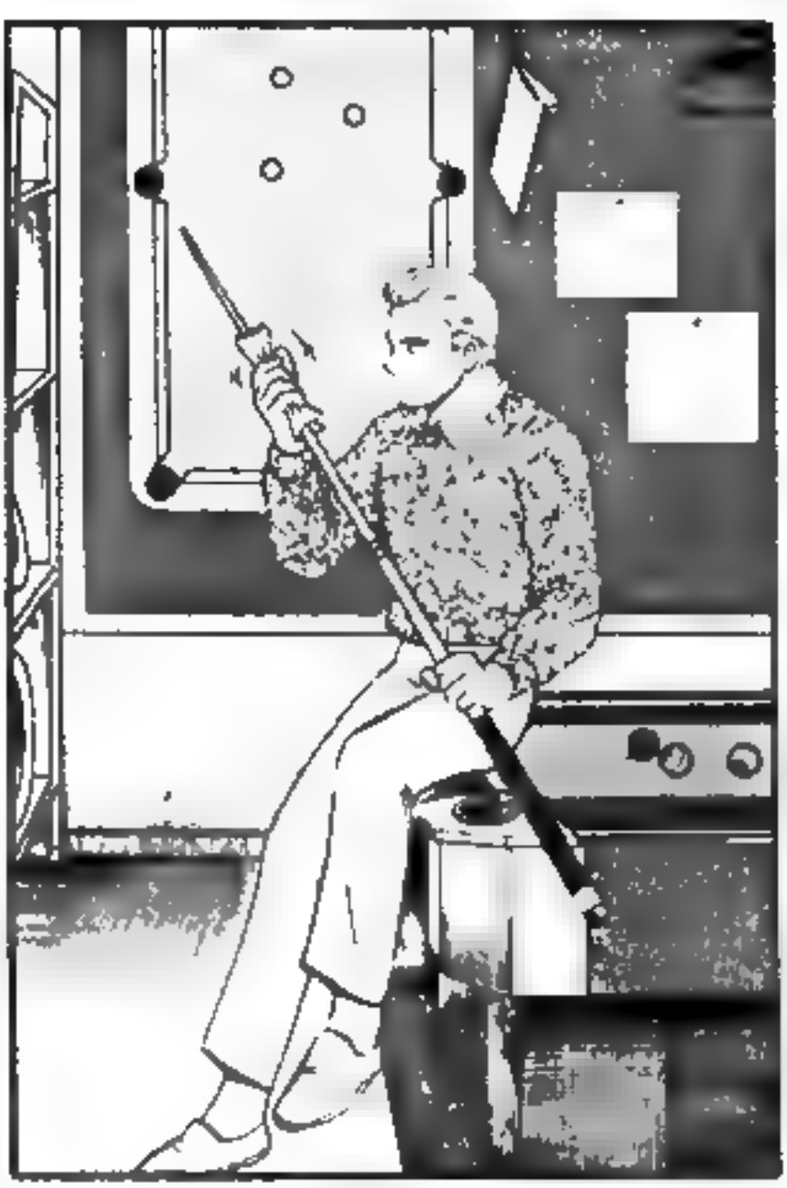


I'M NOT SURE
BUT PERHAPS MOOD CREATED ANOTHER STICK FOR THIS PARTICULAR SHOT
IF THAT'S THE CASE WE PROBABLY

WHO IS IT?
PHONE CALL FOR YOU, DEAR



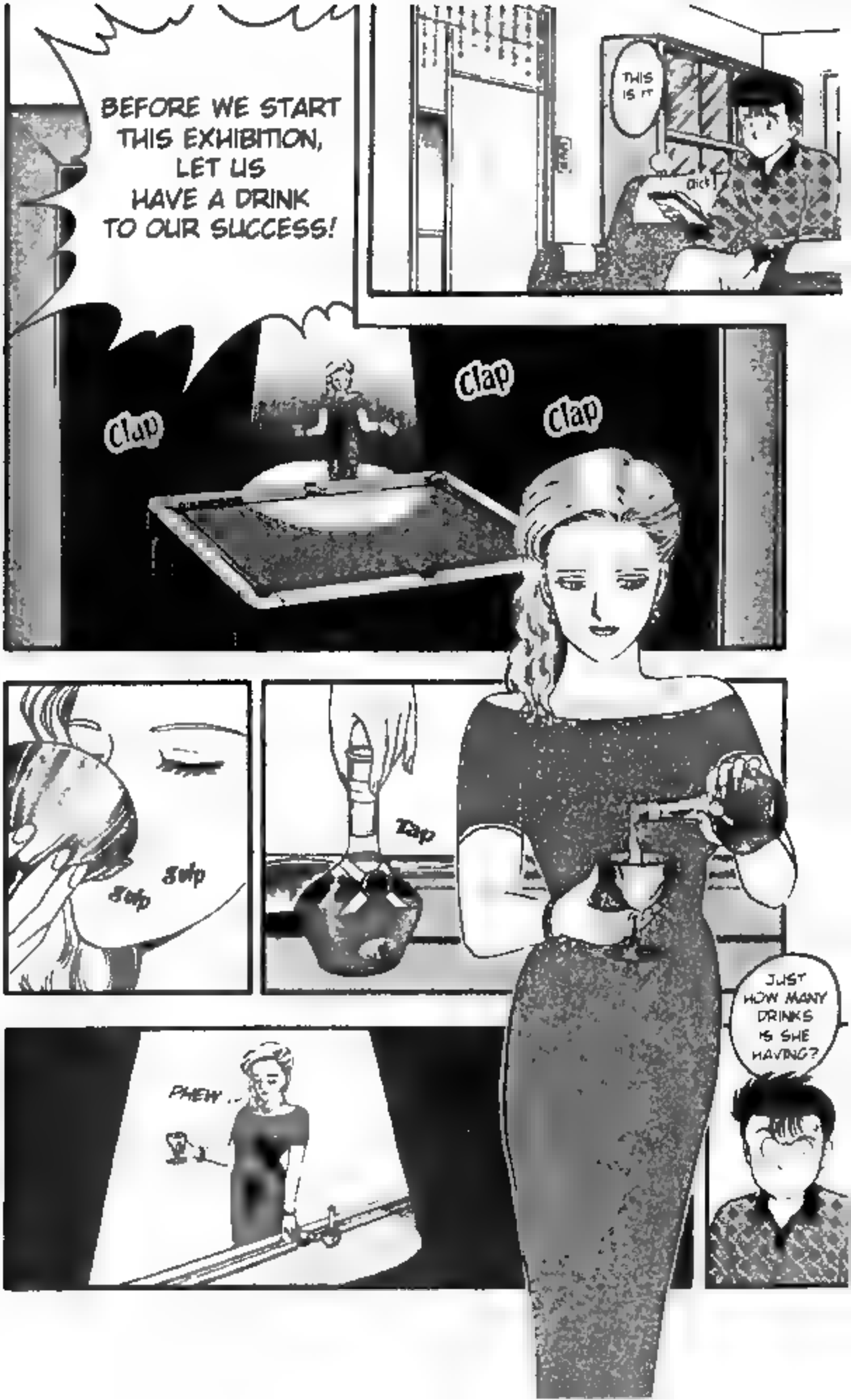
IT'S CHINAH

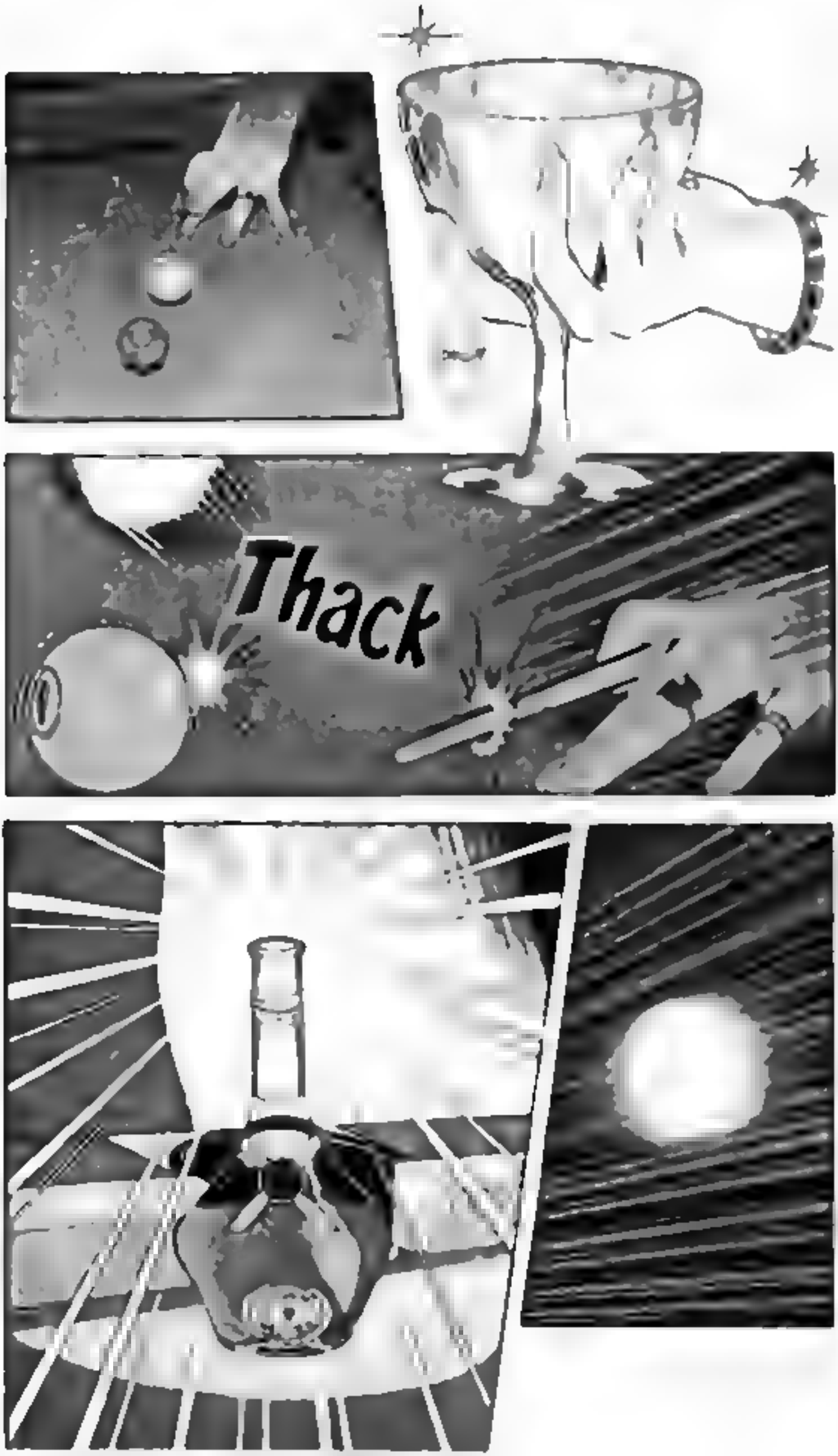
OKAY I'LL BE THERE SOON
IS IT TIME ALREADY?
THE TV SHOW IS ABOUT TO START TOO

IN SAEKI'S JOURNAL?
REALLY?
DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE?
AND IT PROBABLY REQUIRES A SPECIAL STICK
I THINK IT'S THE NEXT STEP AFTER THE DOUGLAS SHOT
WHAT?
WHAT IS IT, MR. DOMON?
THERE'S THIS ONE THING.
THAT'S NEW TO ME
HMM ..
DAMN
....
BUT

THE LEGEND OF DOUGLAS MOOD
WAS ONLY ASSOCIATED WITH THAT ONE CLIE STICK
SO THIS STICK..
YOU MIGHT WANT TO HANG ONTO IT
HE WOULD NEVER REPLACE IT WITH ANOTHER
WAS MOOD'S ONE AND ONLY STICK
THERE'S STILL TIME BEFORE THE NATIONALS! JUST GIVE IT YOUR BEST EFFORT
TO BE A WORTHY CHALLENGER, YOU MUST HAVE A STRONG WILL
SO YOU'RE INTERESTED IN D H S
WHAT A CHALLENGE FOR ME
I WILL!
YES!!

OH, I HAVE TO GO CHINMI
HUH?
THANK YOU SO MUCH
I'LL BE THE BEST, YOU'LL SEE
YES, SIR!
HE'S FROM THE STATES
HIS NAME IS NICK MAYOR
ARTISTIC BILLIARDS? WHAT'S THAT?
THERE'S AN ARTISTIC BILLIARDS EXPERT HERE IN JAPAN
YES, SIR
GOODBYE
CLICK
HE'S GOING TO BE ON TV SOON
YOU SHOULD WATCH, IT'S INTERESTING
NICK MAYOR?


BEFORE WE START THIS EXHIBITION, LET US HAVE A DRINK TO OUR SUCCESS!
THIS IS IT
Click
Clap
Clap
Clap
Sip
Sip
Sip
Tap
JUST HOW MANY DRINKS IS SHE HAVING?
PHEW...


Thack

WOH
Thack
Clunk

THE CUE BALL BOUNCED OFF THE BOTTLE AND INTO THE GLASS
SPLENDID
TO LAND IN THE GLASS AFTER REBOUNDING OFF THE BOTTLE WHAT SKILLFUL JUMP-SHOOTING
THE WOMAN NEVER MOVED HER GLASS
WOWW
AND HERE HE IS
THERE IS NO TRICKS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN
JUST ONE OUTSTANDING MAN

NICK MAYOR!!
THE ARTISTIC BILLIARDS GENIOUS..

BREAK SHOT

AND NICK MAYOR, HERE, HAS TURNED IT INTO A HEARTSTOPPING SHOW
ARTISTIC BILLIARDS IS A GAME OF PRECISION AND GUTS
WHAT WAS THE REASON FOR YOUR TRANSITION FROM SPORTS TO SHOW BUSINESS?
AND I HAVE DONE JUST THAT
BUT THE PUBLIC LONG TO SEE AN ATTRACTIVE PERFORMANCE. A SHOW, IF YOU WILL
IN BILLIARDS, WE AIM TO REACH THE TOP, NOTHING MORE

THANKS
BEGINNING WITH A SHOW IN LAS VEGAS, NICK HAS TRAVELLED THROUGHOUT ALL OF AMERICA AND HAS BECOME QUITE A HIT WITH HIS SHOW

Viewers n Japan, you are in for an amazing show

I'M GOING TO RECORD THIS

MAYBE MR. DONON KNOWS
THERE WASN'T ANY MENTION OF HIM IN ANY OF THE TOURNAMENTS
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THIS NICK MAYOR..

LET'S USE THIS TAPE
Last question
GOTTA CHECK YESTERDAY'S TAPE
Click
OK
What is Artistic B-liard's main appea.?
YOU WILL SEE, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS AN IMPOSSIBLE SHOT
THIS IS UNBOUNDED ART
JUST LIKE ITS NAME ...
THIS IS AN ART

WHATEVER SHOT THE AUDIENCE MAY WANT IS A CHALLENGE FOR ME TO EXECUTE

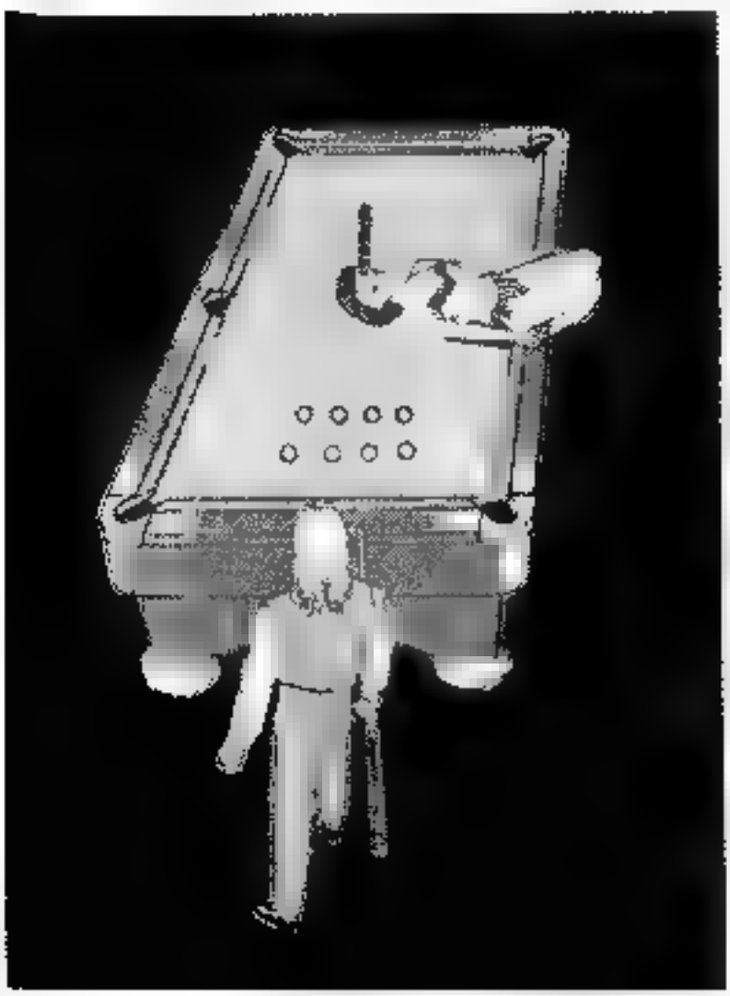
ALL IS POSSIBLE WITH THIS CUE STICK AND BALL

NO SUCH THING?!

A small demonstration

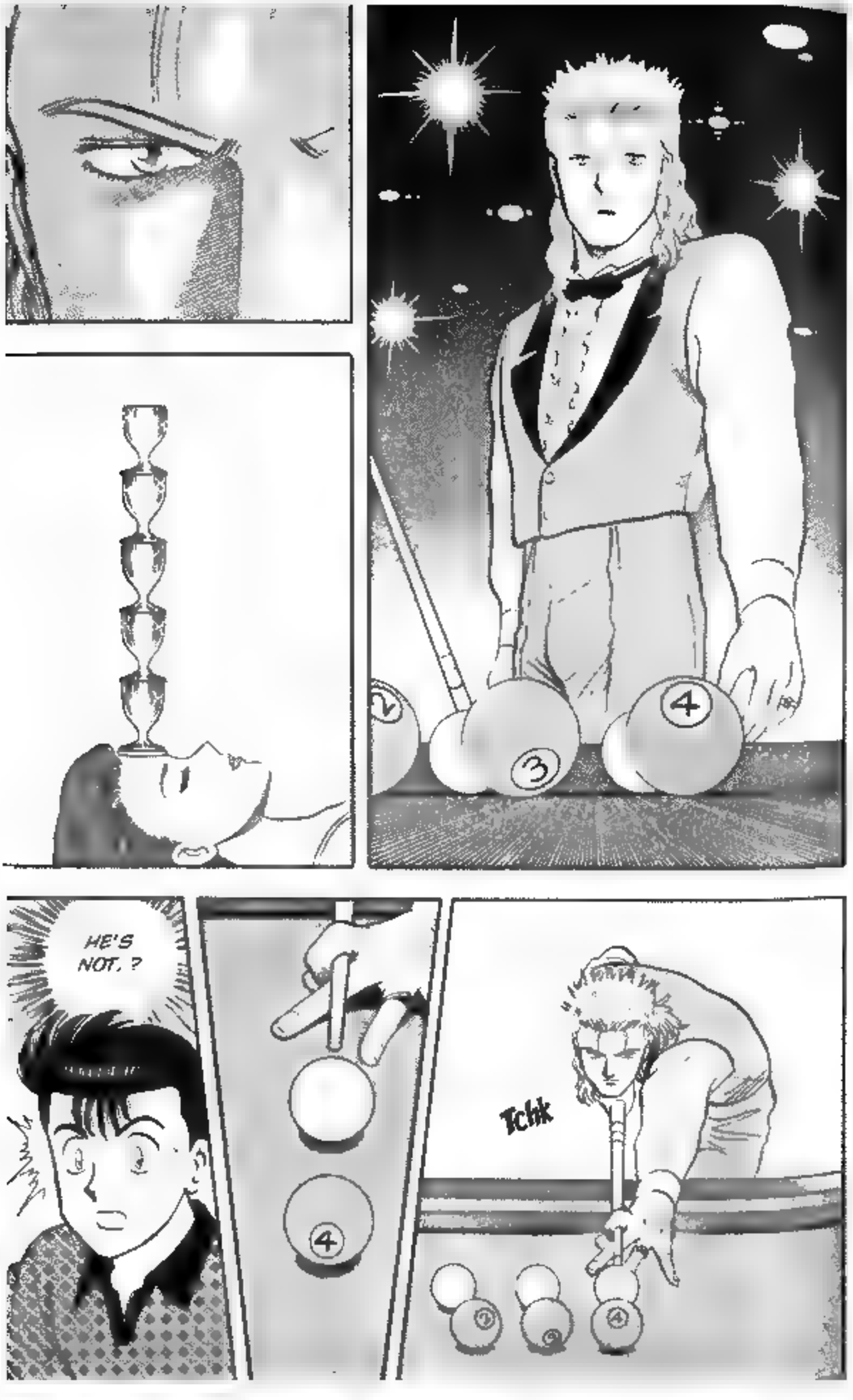
DARN CONFIDENT

WE HAVE, ON THIS TABLE, A BEAUTIFUL LADY
THEN
WE HAVE FIVE GLASSES STACKED ON HER FOREHEAD



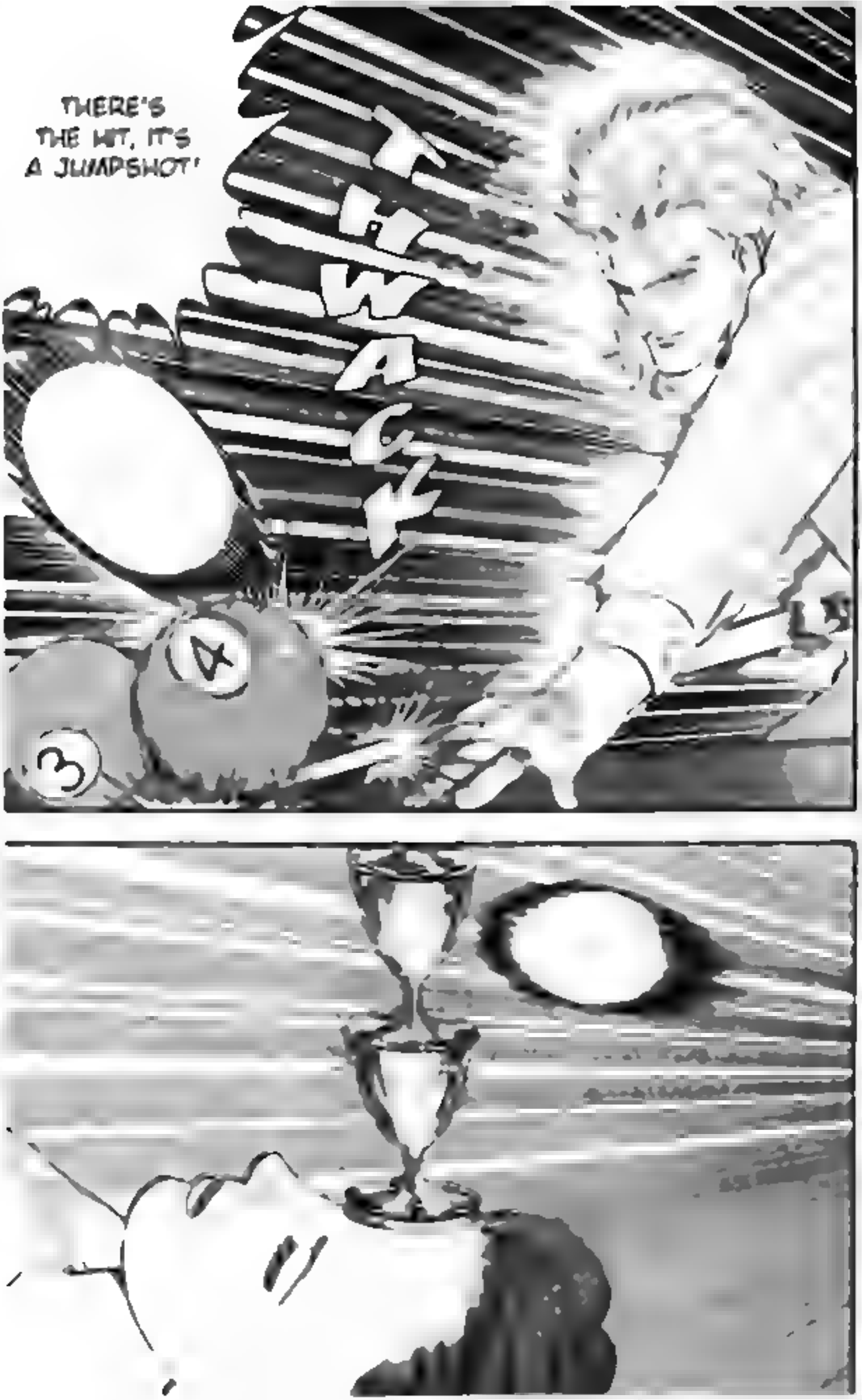
LOOKS DANGEROUS ... WHAT'S HE GOING TO DO?

Clink
Clink


HE'S NOT, ?
Tchk

Tcik

Tcik


THERE'S THE HIT, IT'S A JUMPSHOT!
TWACK
4
3

THERE GOES ONE GLASS!

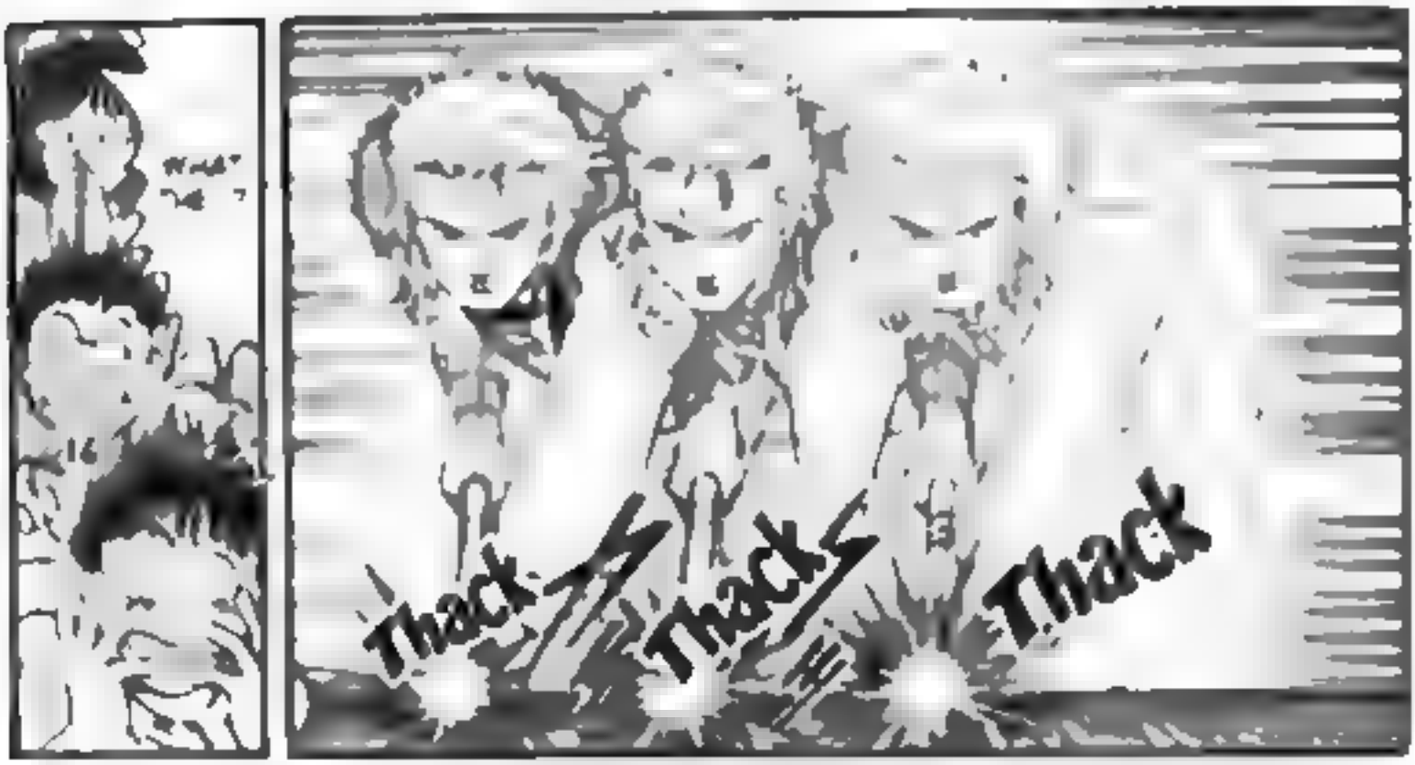
tap

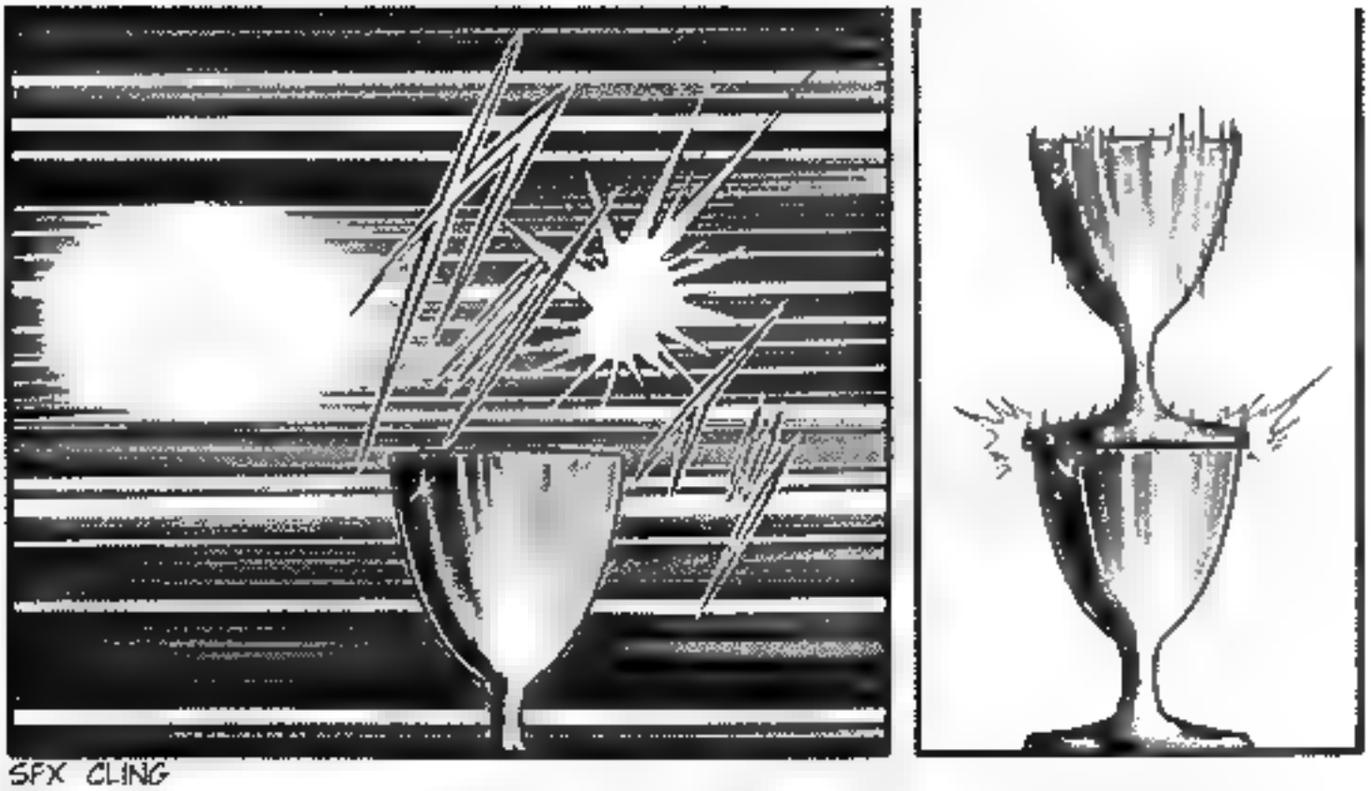
SFX clink

SFX zoom

SFX zoom

SFX zoom


Thack
Thack
Thack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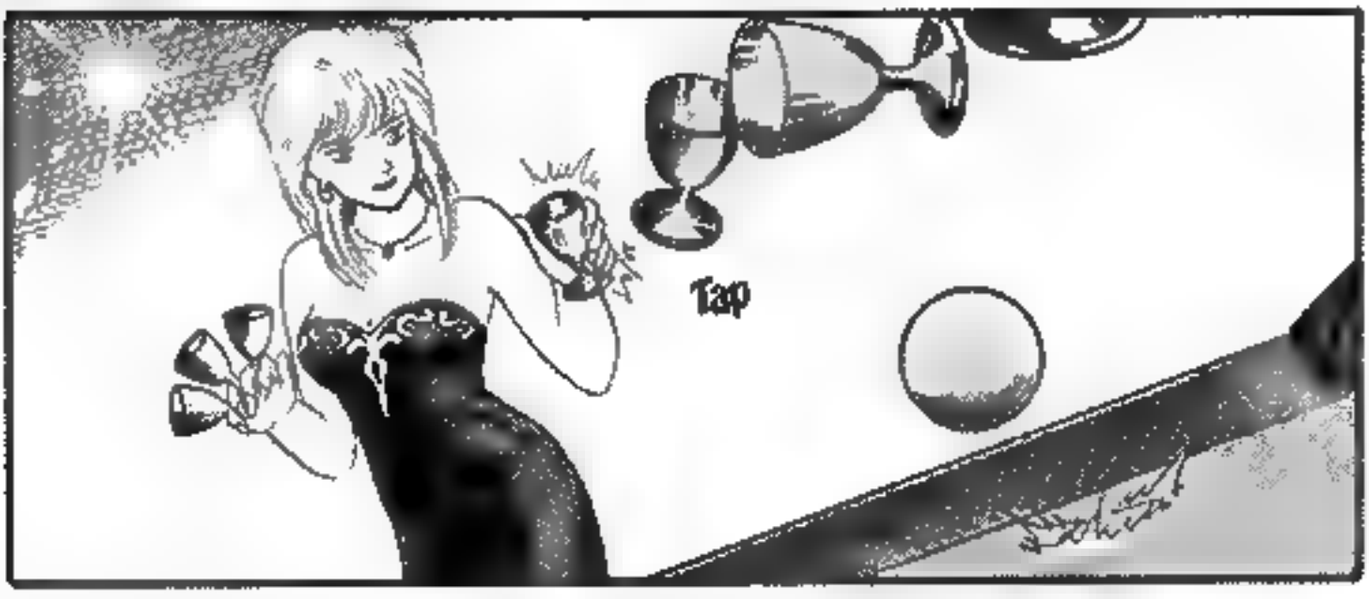
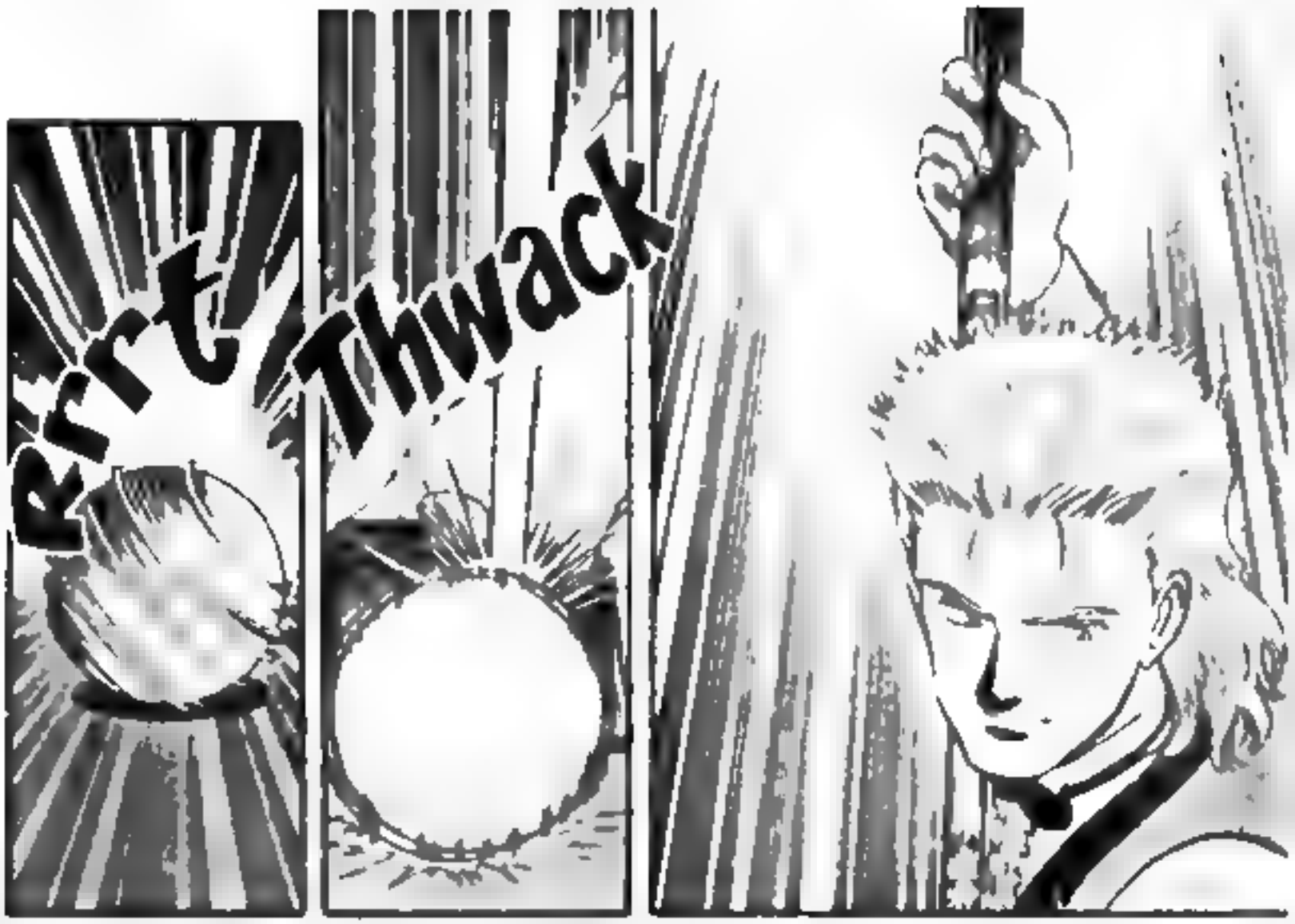
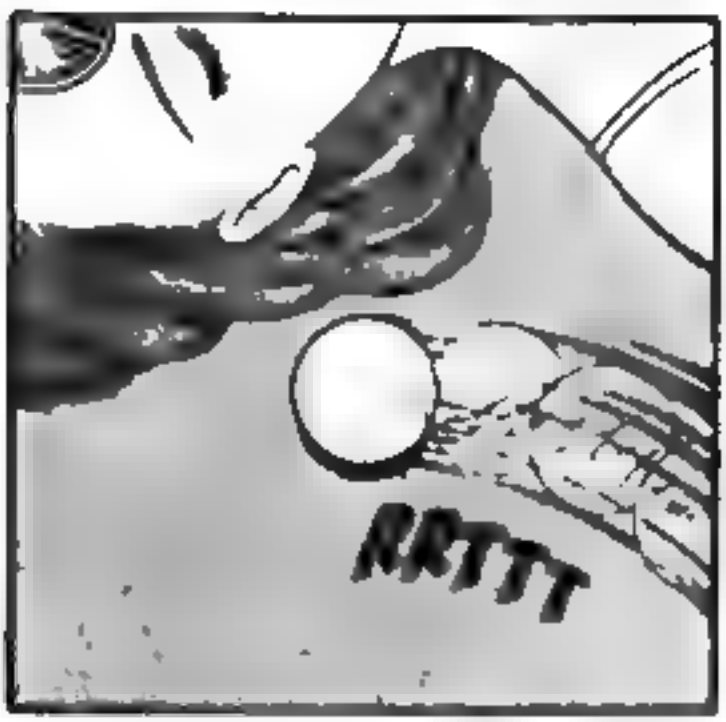

Tap

HOW EXCITING!
WOW
WOW
ONE BY ONE, THE GLASSES ON THE LADY'S FOREHEAD WERE KNOCKED AWAY BY JUMPSHOTS AND CAUGHT BY HIS ASSISTANT
NOW HE ASSUMES THE MASSE STANCE!?
SHE COULD HAVE GOTTEN HURT.


Rrrt
Thwack

IT'S GONNA HIT HER FACE!!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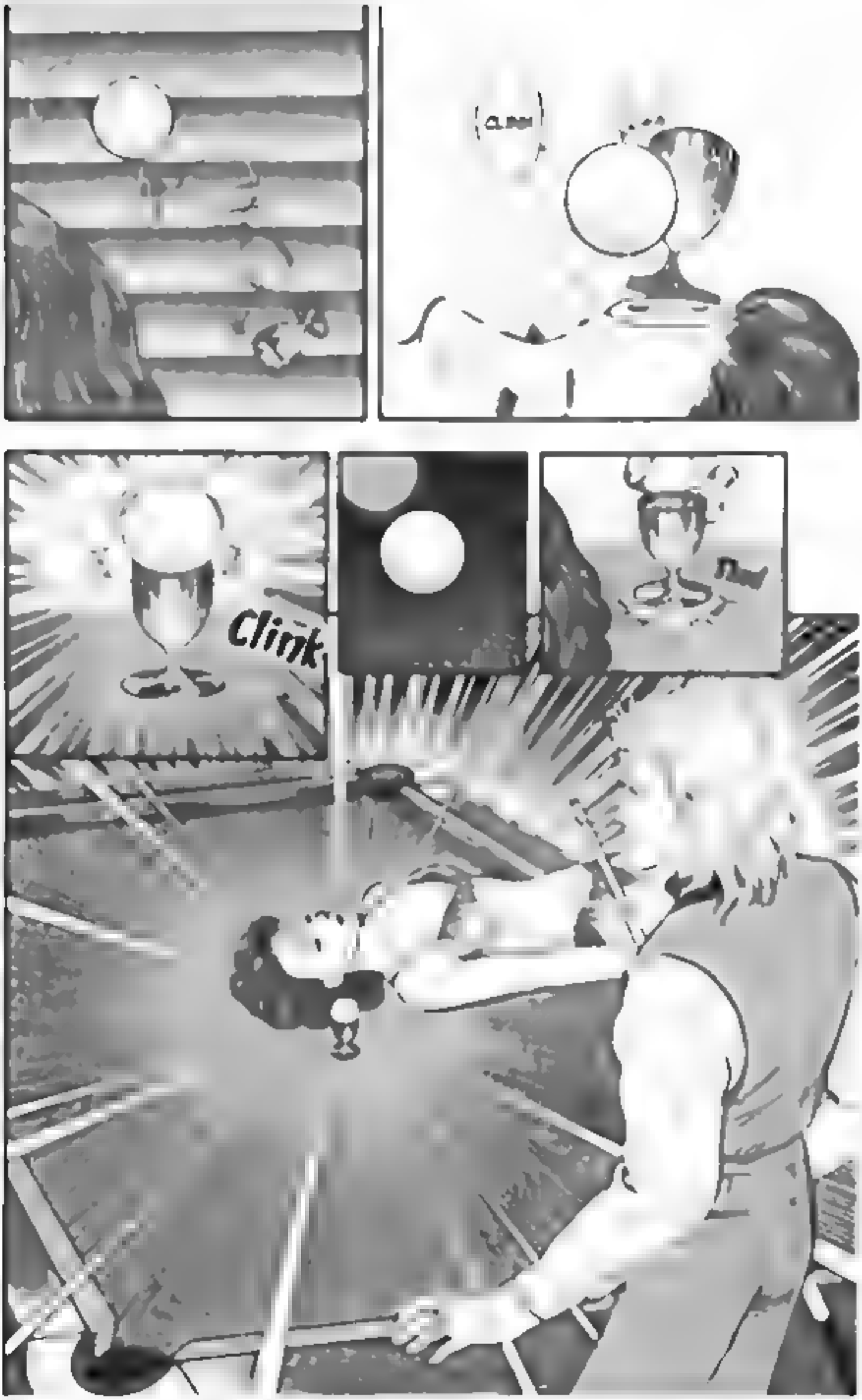
IT'S FORMING A CIRCULAR PATH AROUND HER HEAD !!

RRTTT

!!

RRTTT

RRTTT


(arm)
Clink

SIR ROGER
TALK ABOUT SKILL" THE MASSE ON THE CUE BALL CAUSED IT TO MOVE OVER HER HEAD AND STRIKE ANOTHER BALL, WHICH THEN JUMPED AND HIT THE GLASS
THE GLASS LANDED ON THE TABLE AND THE BALL LANDED IN THE GLASS WHAT A SHOW!

WOW

YEAH

AS NICK MAYOR SAID EARLIER ..

THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS AN IMPOSSIBLE SHOT

NICK MAYOR HAS MADE GOOD ON HIS WORD

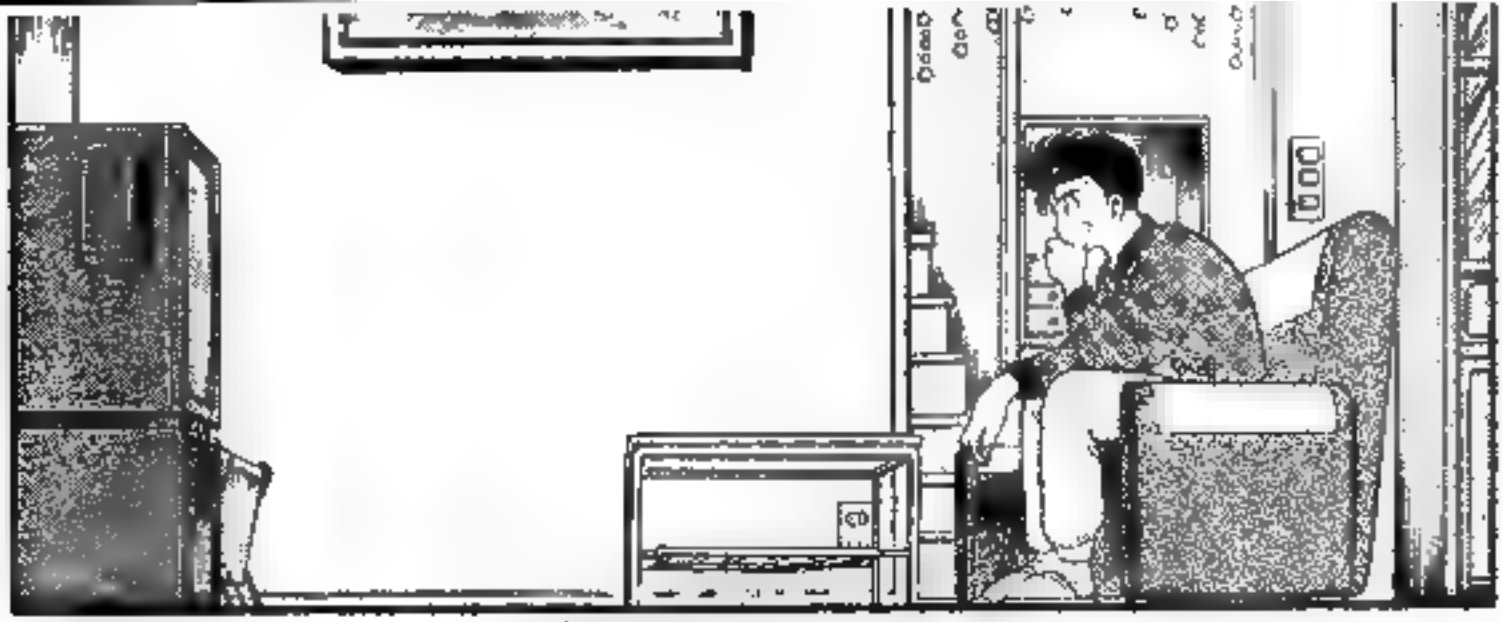
CHINMI, DINNER'S READY

...

CHINMI ?

END OF BREAKSHOT VOL 9 CHAPT 3

BREAK SHOT



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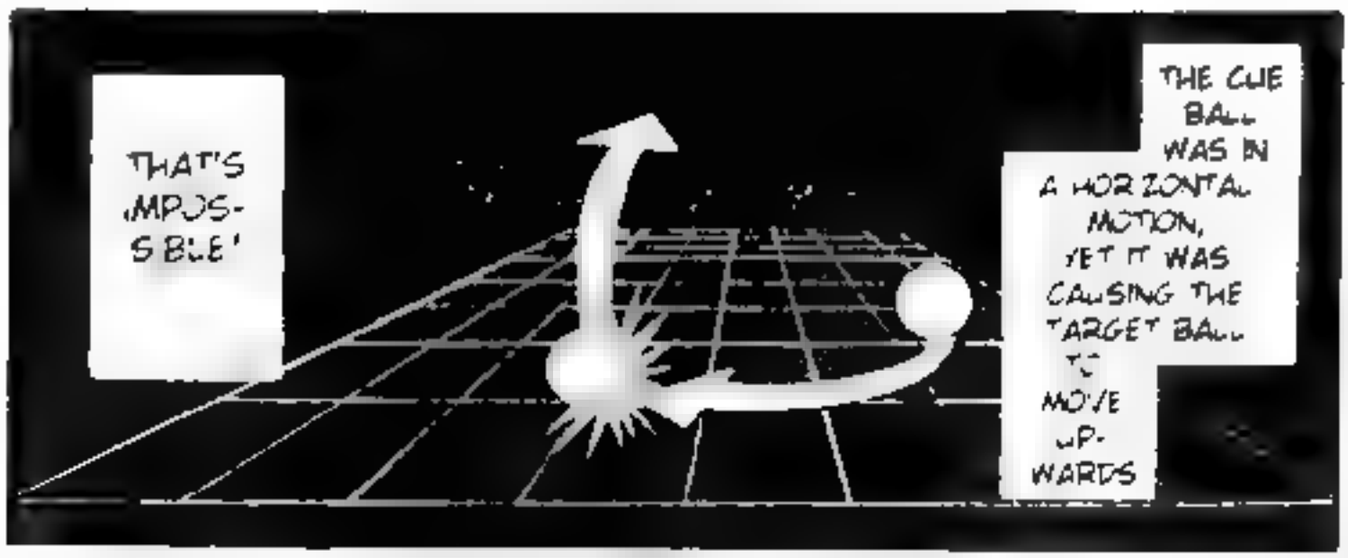
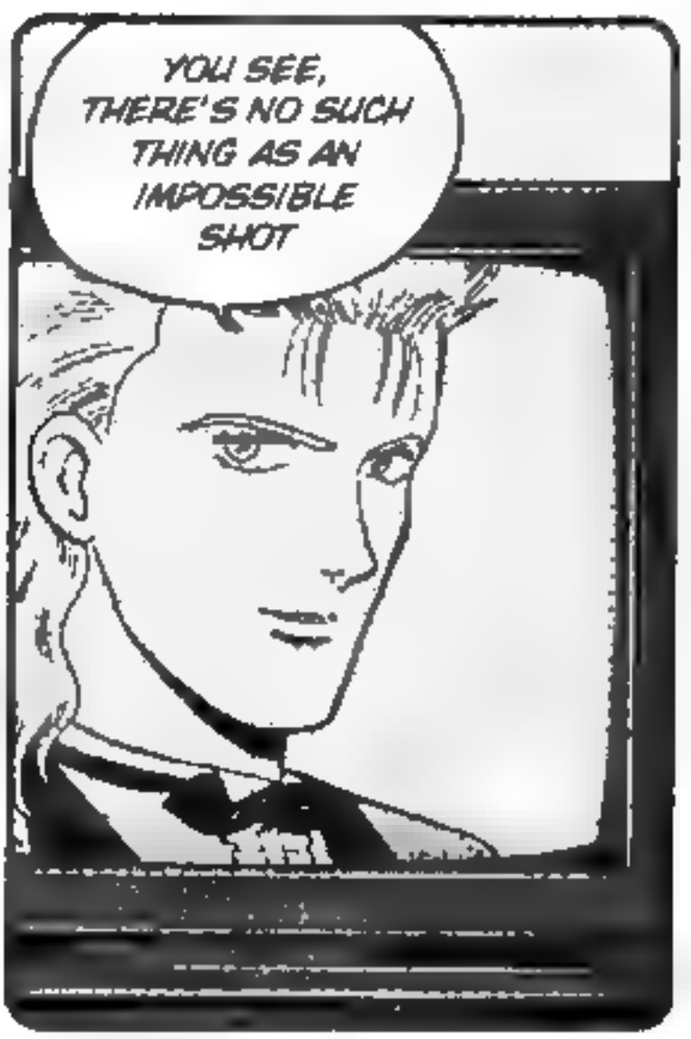

THAT'S IMPOS-SBLE!
THE CUE BALL WAS IN A HORIZONTAL MOTION, YET IT WAS CAUSING THE TARGET BALL TO MOVE UP-WARDS

HE DID IT!
BUT NICK MAYOR..

I DON'T FULLY KNOW HOW, BUT HE MUST HAVE SOME HIDDEN TECHNIQUE!


YOU SEE, THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS AN IMPOSSIBLE SHOT

I MAY HAVE CRACKED THE SECRET OF D.H.S.!

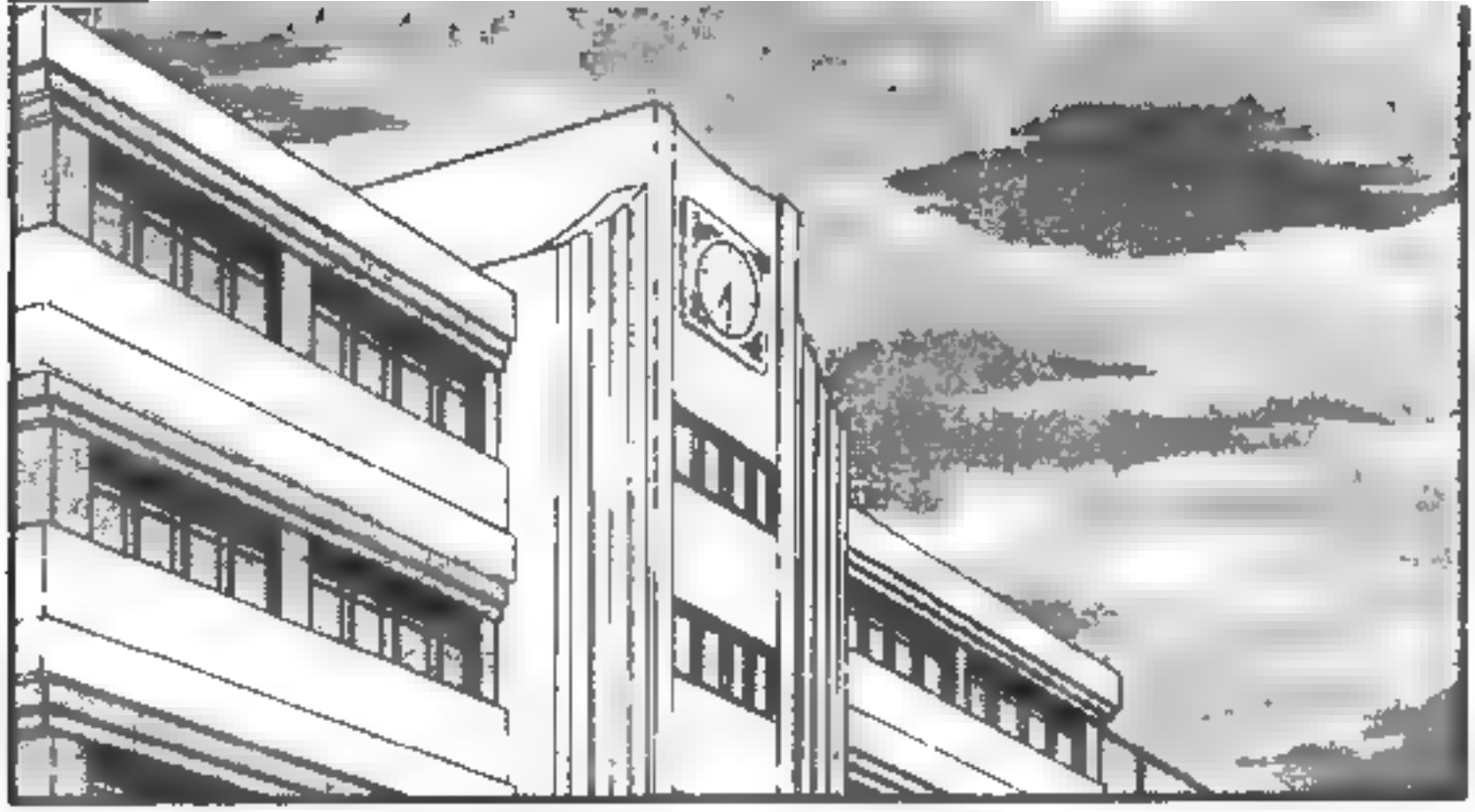
WITH A SINGLE JUMP BALL

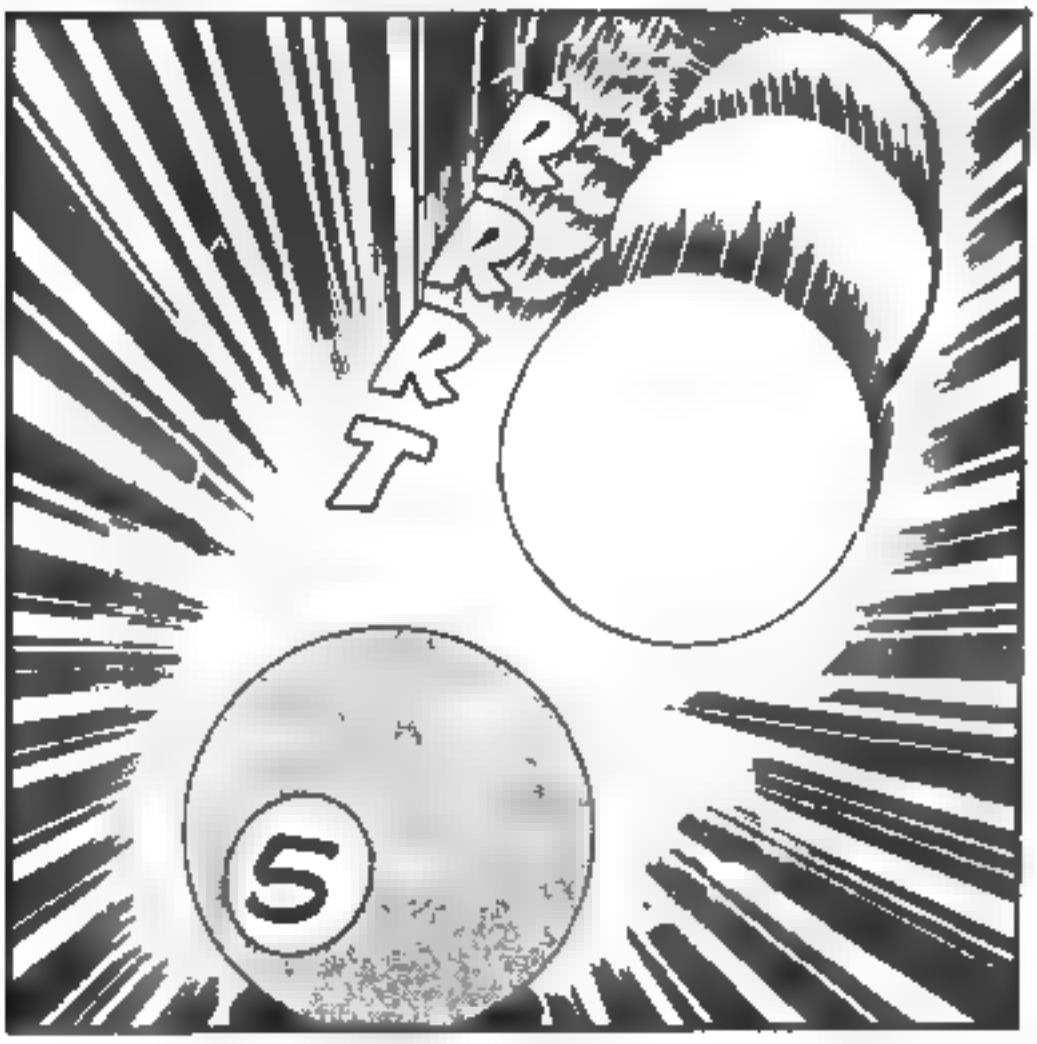
HE COULD CONTROL IT PERFECTLY..

THAT'S THE DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE!!

TO MAKE BOTH THE CUE AND TARGET BALL JUMP AT ONCE! THE PERFECTED DOUGLAS SHOT..

I SEE
NO SUCH THING AS AN IMPOSSIBLE SHOT
Nick Mayor's show wil start in Tokyo, followed by other major c t es
Tokyo
Osaka
Nagoya
INTERESTING WORDS, MR. MAYOR
OUCH
CHI-NMI'
CHIN-MI
IN A MINUTE! I'M WATCHING A VIDEO
IF ONLY HE PAID THAT MUCH ATTEN-TION IN SCHOOL
OW-OW-OW!
Damn. nearly pulled my ear off.
WHEN I CALL YOU,
YOU WILL ANSWER ME, YOUNG MAN!

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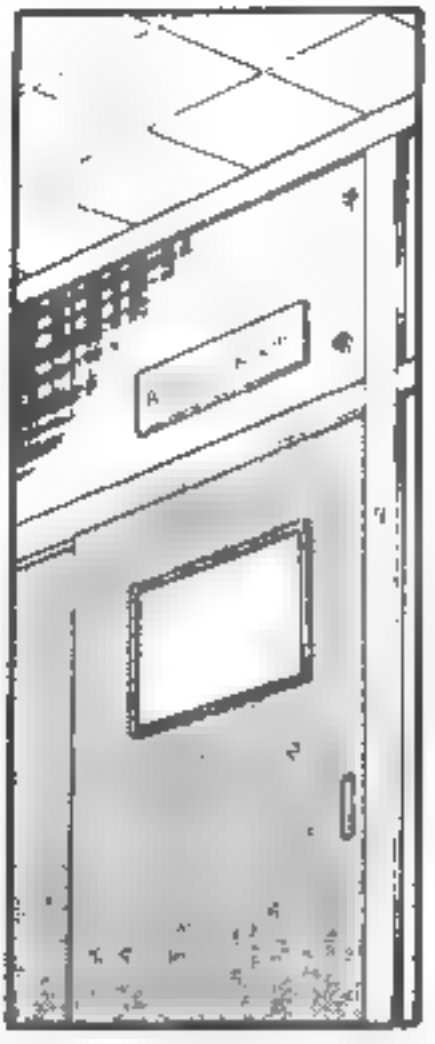

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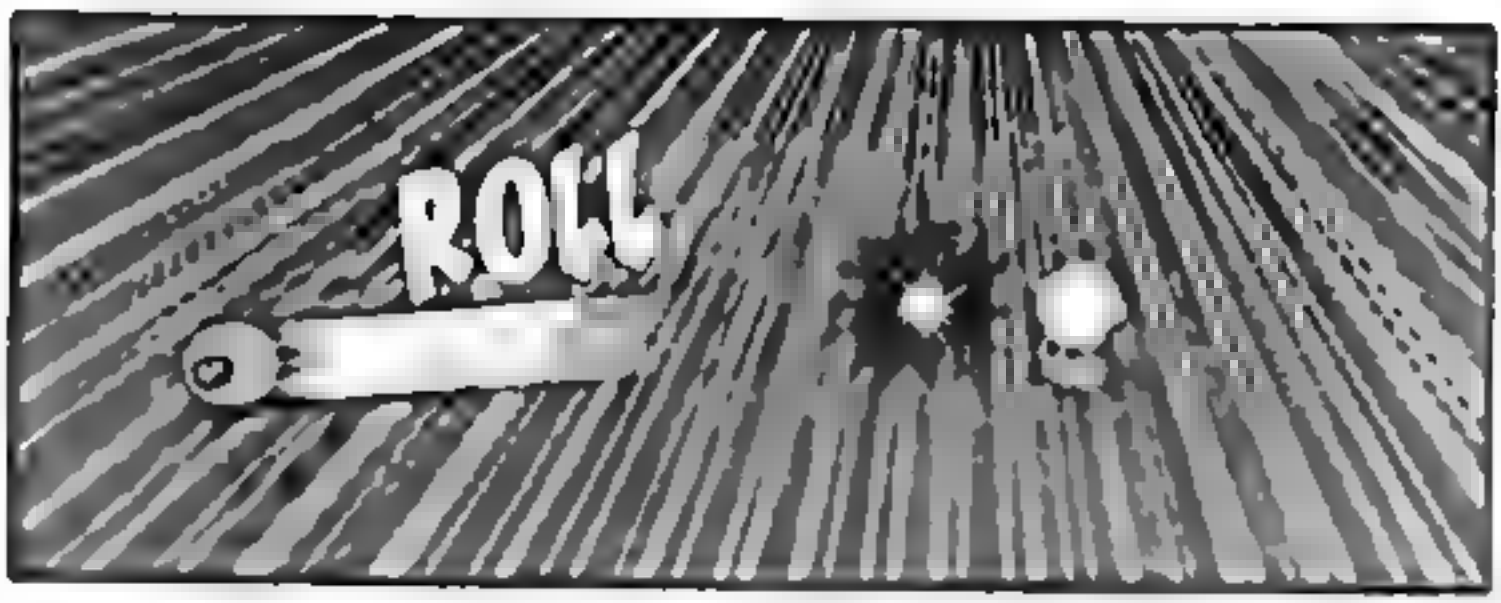
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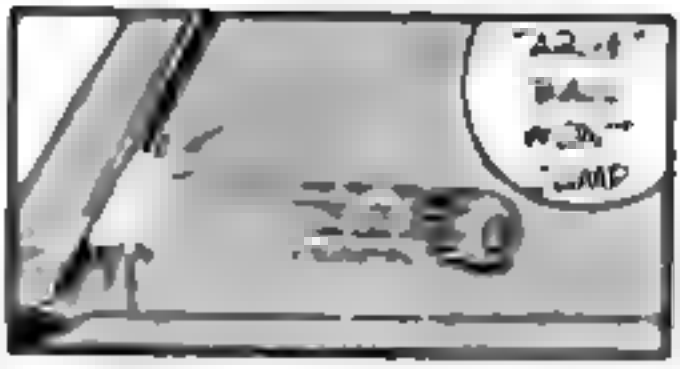
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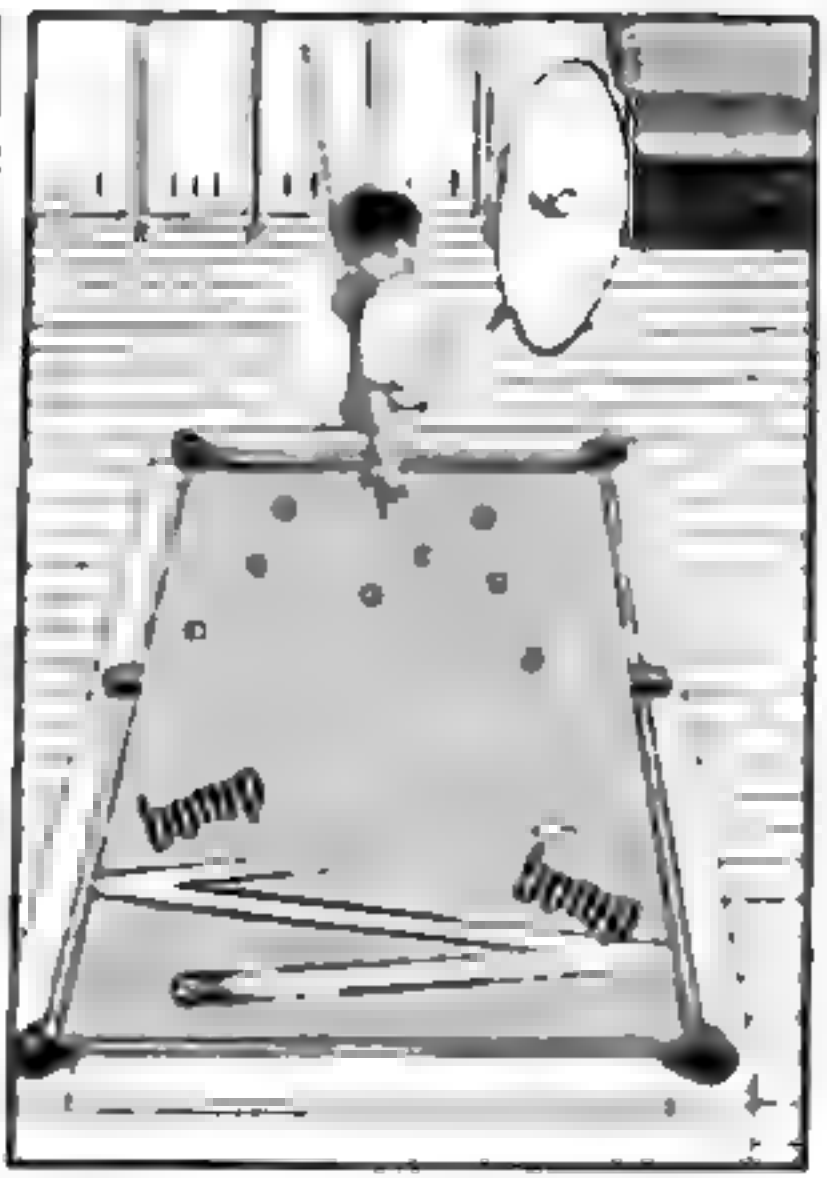
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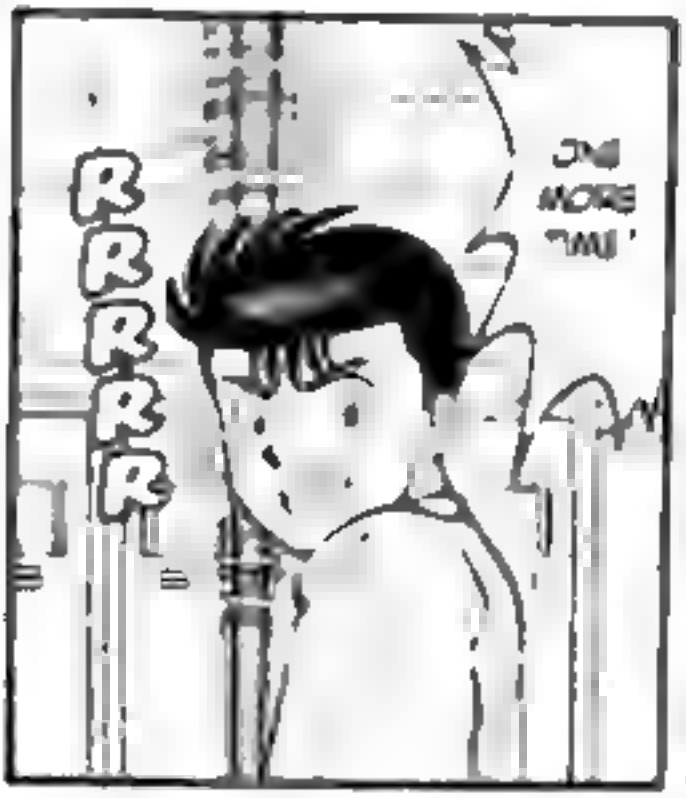
bump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ONE MORE "IMI"

COME ON!

THACK

bump bump bump

BUT JUST NOW..

THE OTHER ONE JUMPED A BIT

USUALLY ONLY ONE BALL JUMPS..

THERE'S NO TRICK TO MAKING THE TWO BALLS JUMP!

IT'S ALL ABOUT BALL CONTROL

HOW DOES NICK MAYOR DO THIS?

BUT ONE THING'S FOR SURE, IT WAS THE MASSE AND THE HIGH ROTATION SPEED

THE TAPE DOESN'T HELP MUCH

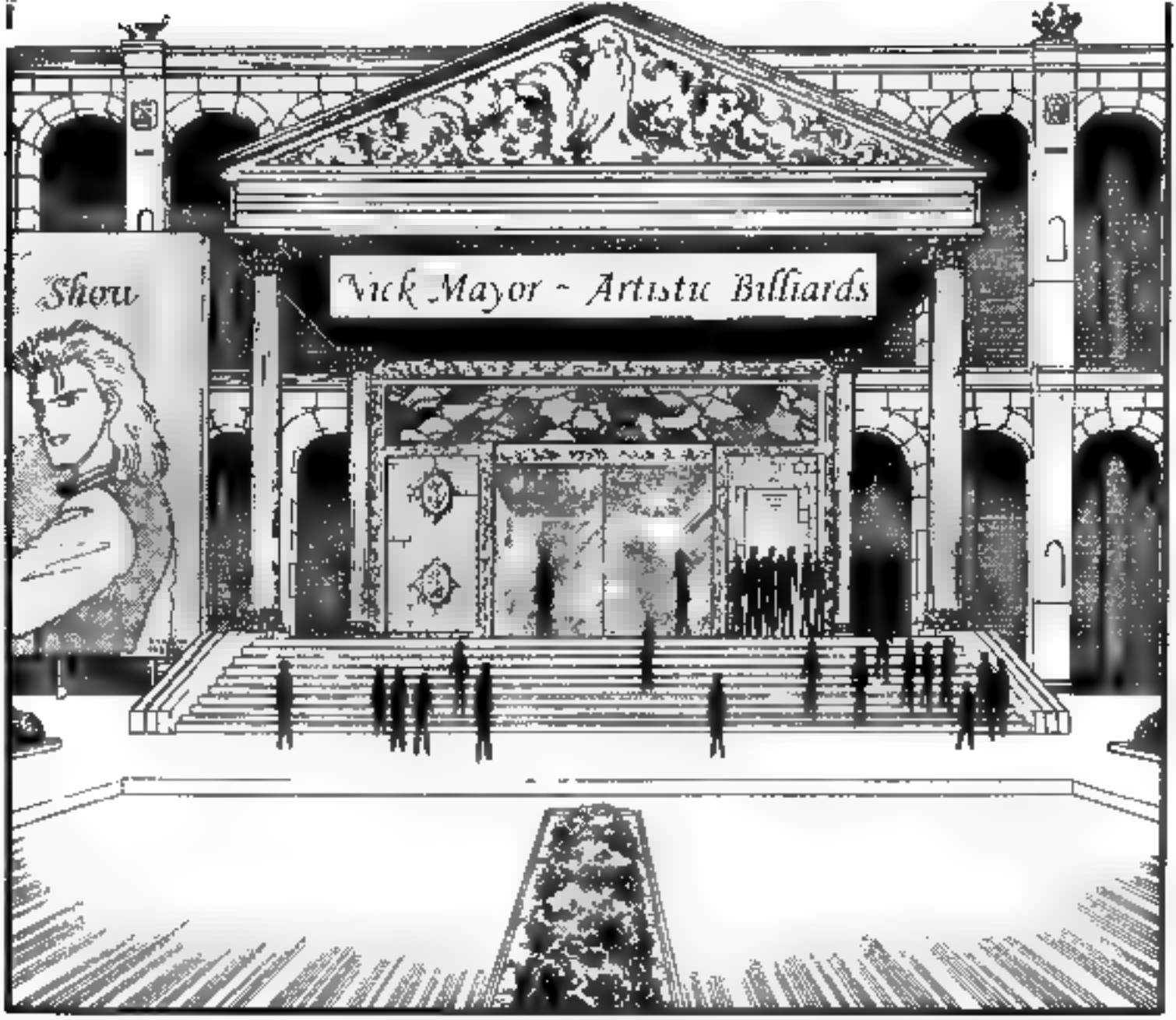
DOUGLAS SHOT DOESN'T GENERATE THAT MUCH POWER

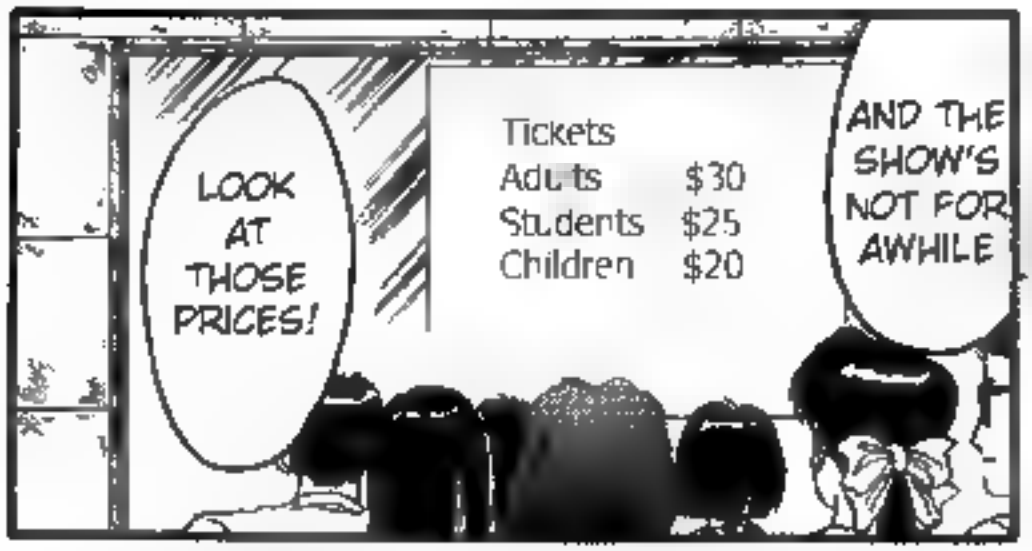
THE EFFECTS STILL AREN'T VERY BENEFICIAL..

THEN HOW ?

EH?
HEY, OLIVE
JUST NOT GETTING ANYWH-ERE
WE..., I'VE BEEN TRYING..
HOW IS IT GOING WITH YOUR RESEARCH ON NICK MAYOR'S SHOT?
ANY CLUES?
YEA, YEA.. AND WHAT EXACTLY IS THE ESS-ENCE?
CHINMI, YOU HAVE TO LOOK INTO THE ESSENCE OF THE MATTER!

WE'RE GOING TO SEE NICK MAYOR
I'VE GOT TO SEE IT MYSELF
I WON'T EVER FIGURE IT OUT BY ONLY WATCHING VIDEOS
HUH? WHERE TO?
YOU COMING?


Show
Nick Mayor ~ Artistic Billiards


LOOK AT THOSE PRICES!
Tickets
Adults $30
Students $25
Children $20
AND THE SHOW'S NOT FOR AWHILE

THERE'S A CROWD ALREADY

LET'S GO THIS WAY

THIS IS THE EMPLOYEE ENTRANCE
SORRY, KID! THIS ENTRANCE IS FOR PERSONNEL ONLY
HE-LLO!
Shuffle
I THINK THIS MIGHT GET ME IN
THIS ?
WHAT DID YOU SHOW HIM?
JUST A MINUTE, SIR

DOMON GROUP

Iwao Domon

C.E.O.

Address .....

Telephone:.. ...

Fax ..... .

A CERTAIN SOME-ONE'S BUSI-NESS CARD

I GOT IT WHEN I FIRST MET HIM

MR DOMON'S BUSINESS CARD!?

I'M TELLING YOU, THIS BUSINESS CARD WORKS..

LIKE MAGIC!

THIS SHOW IS BEING SPONSORED BY MR. DOMON'S COMPANY

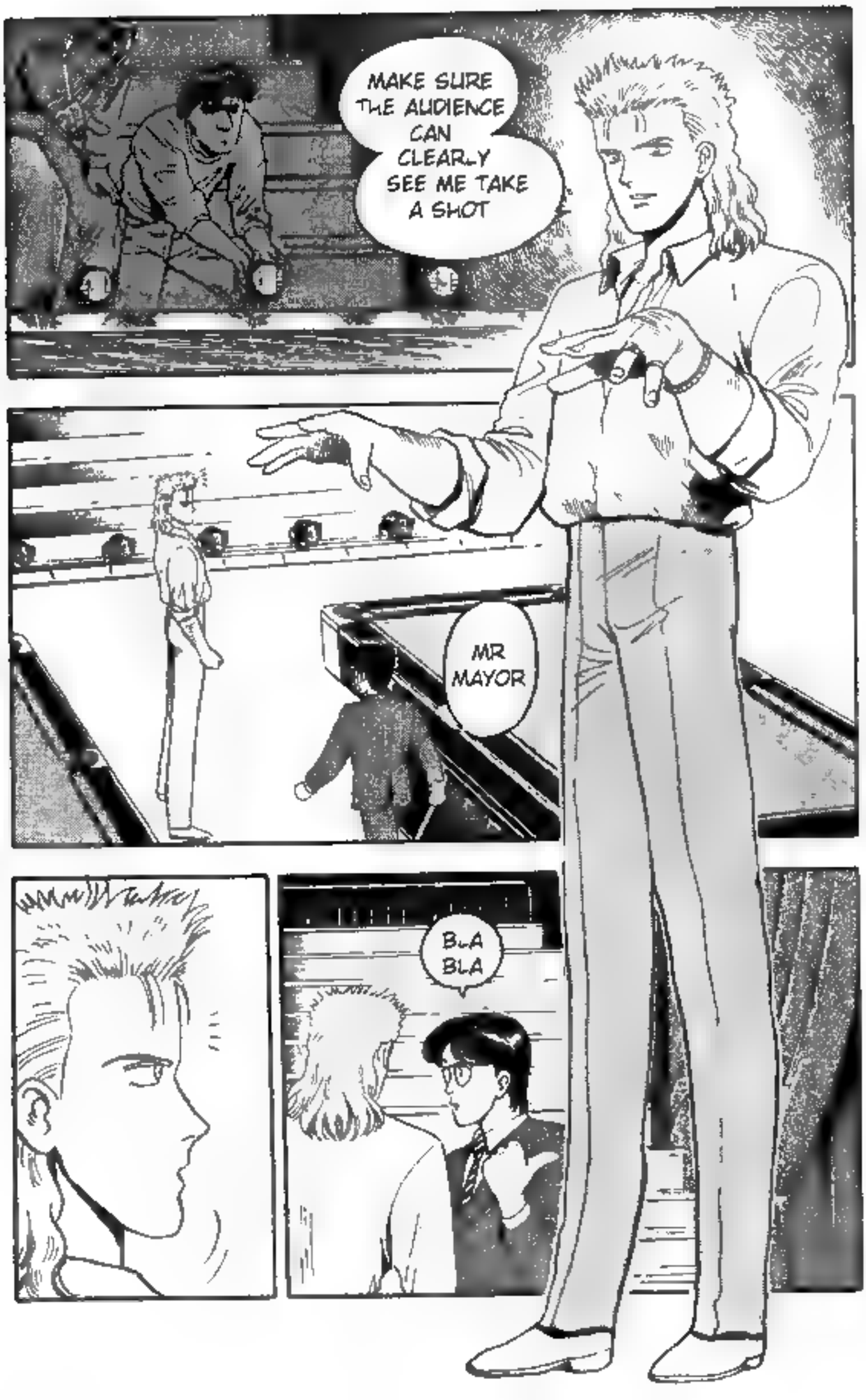
SIR, MR DOMON IS MORE THAN HAPPY TO WELCOME YOU IN

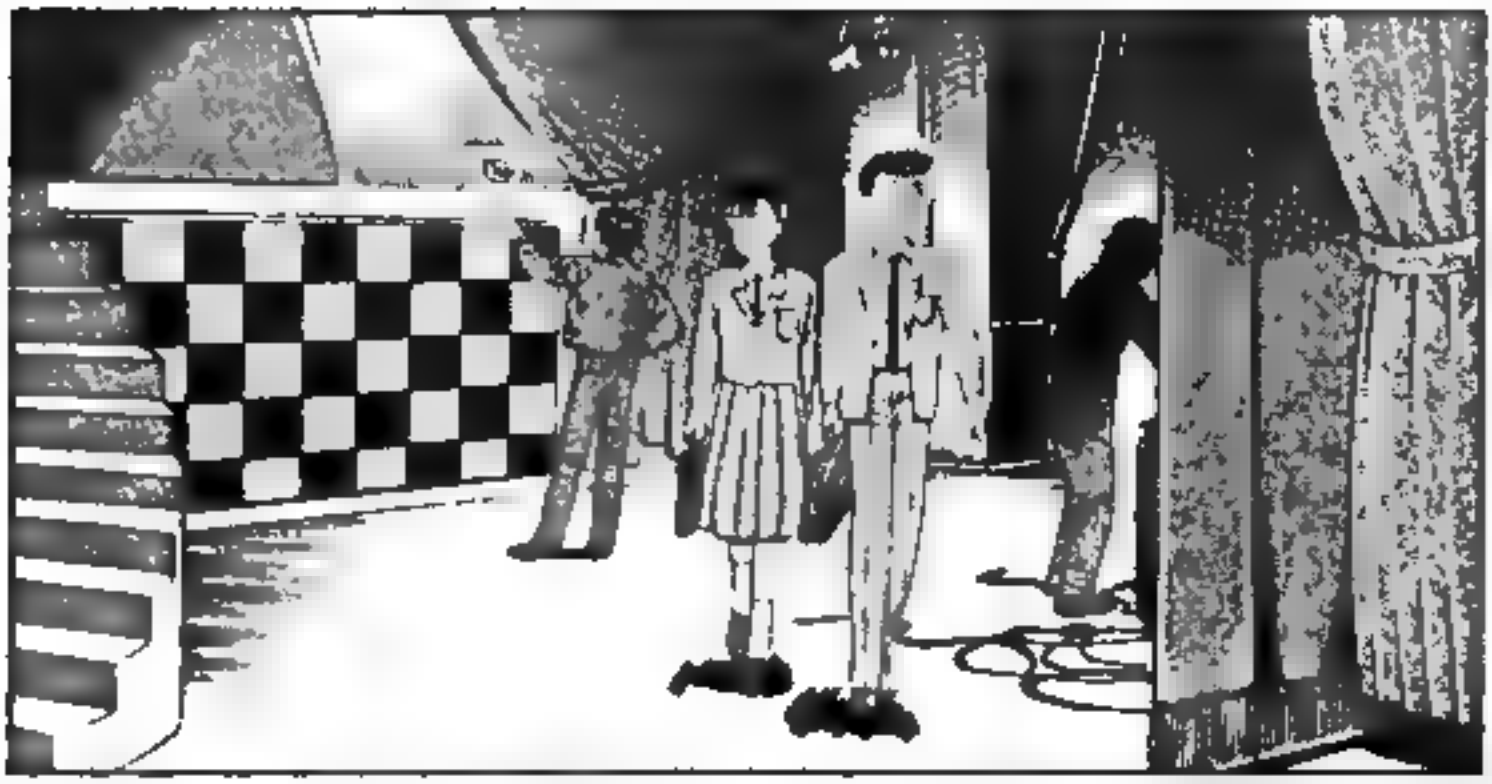
I MIGHT FIND OUT THE SECRET OF D.H.S.!

NOT A PROBLEM! HE IS, HOWEVER, PREPARING THE STAGE FOR A SHOW TONIGHT

CAN WE MEET NICK MAYOR?

THIS WAY


MAKE SURE THE AUDIENCE CAN CLEARLY SEE ME TAKE A SHOT
MR MAYOR
BLA BLA



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THE FAMOUS NICK MAYOR HIMSELF!

WHOA!

OH, SO THIS IS CHINMI...

NOT AT ALL

HOW DO YOU DO? I'M CHINMI. THANKS FOR TAKING THE TIME TO TALK TO US

A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO, I HAD LUNCH WITH MR.DOMON. HE MENTIONED YOU

HE SAID THAT YOU ARE A NATURAL BILLIARDS PLAYER AND YOU'RE REALLY KEEN ON IT

WHOA, THAT'S A REAL HONOR COMING FROM HIM

I'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT YOU ALREADY

WHO, ME...!?

OH..!?

OH, I'VE HEARD ABOUT YOU AS WELL

I'M OLIVE

OH!

THE CUTE PARTNER OF CHINMI WHO ALWAYS STANDS BY HIS SIDE SUPPORTING HIM

OH, AND THIS IS A FRIEND OF MINE SHE'S ALSO A MEMBER OF OUR SCHOOL'S BILLARDS CLUB

WELL, YOU'RE ALREADY QUITE FAMOUS IN THE BILLIARDS WORLD, CHINMI

WHOA, I'M IMPRESSED YOU KNOW EVERYTHING ALREADY

YEAH

I THINK MR.DOMON EXAGGERATED TOO MUCH

YOU'RE A 9-BALL PLAYER RIGHT?

ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT SWITCHING TO ARTISTIC BILLIARDS INSTEAD?

ACTUALLY

WE CAME HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU ABOUT YOUR PERFORMANCE THE OTHER DAY

AND I WANTED TO ASK FOR SOME ADVICE

THAT'S NOT IT ACTUALLY I'M TRYING TO COME UP WITH A NEW SHOT

...

MAKING A BALL JUMP WITH A MASSE

OH

AND..?

SO WHAT DO YOU WANNA KNOW EXACTLY?

I SAW YOU DO IT THE OTHER DAY

IF POSSIBLE, I WANNA SEE THAT SHOT WITH MY OWN EYES ONCE AGAIN..

AND...

STEAL ?

HMM

SO YOU'RE HERE TO STEAL MY TECHNIQUE?

I'LL GRANT YOUR WISH

I APPRECIATE HONESTY IN PEOPLE

HMMM ..

I NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT STEALING ANYTHING ...

BUT IT'S KINDA TRUE

THANK YOU!

I'LL LET YOU SEE IT WITH YOUR OWN EYES

I DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU WANT TO REALLY STEAL IT OR WHATEVER

AMERICAN CIRCUIT...

THAT'S WHY I NEED TO MASTER THE SHOT THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT!

IT WON'T BE EASY TO GET THE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

MR.DOMON IS ALSO COMPETING IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

AND THEN I'LL GET TO GO TO THE AMERICAN CIRCUIT!

IT'S MY DREAM TO WIN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

LET'S PUT THAT SPIRIT TO THE TEST FIRST

I LIKE THE SPIRIT YOU'RE SHOWING

HOWEVER..

WE'LL START WITH SOMETHING SIMPLE

WHAT KIND OF TEST?

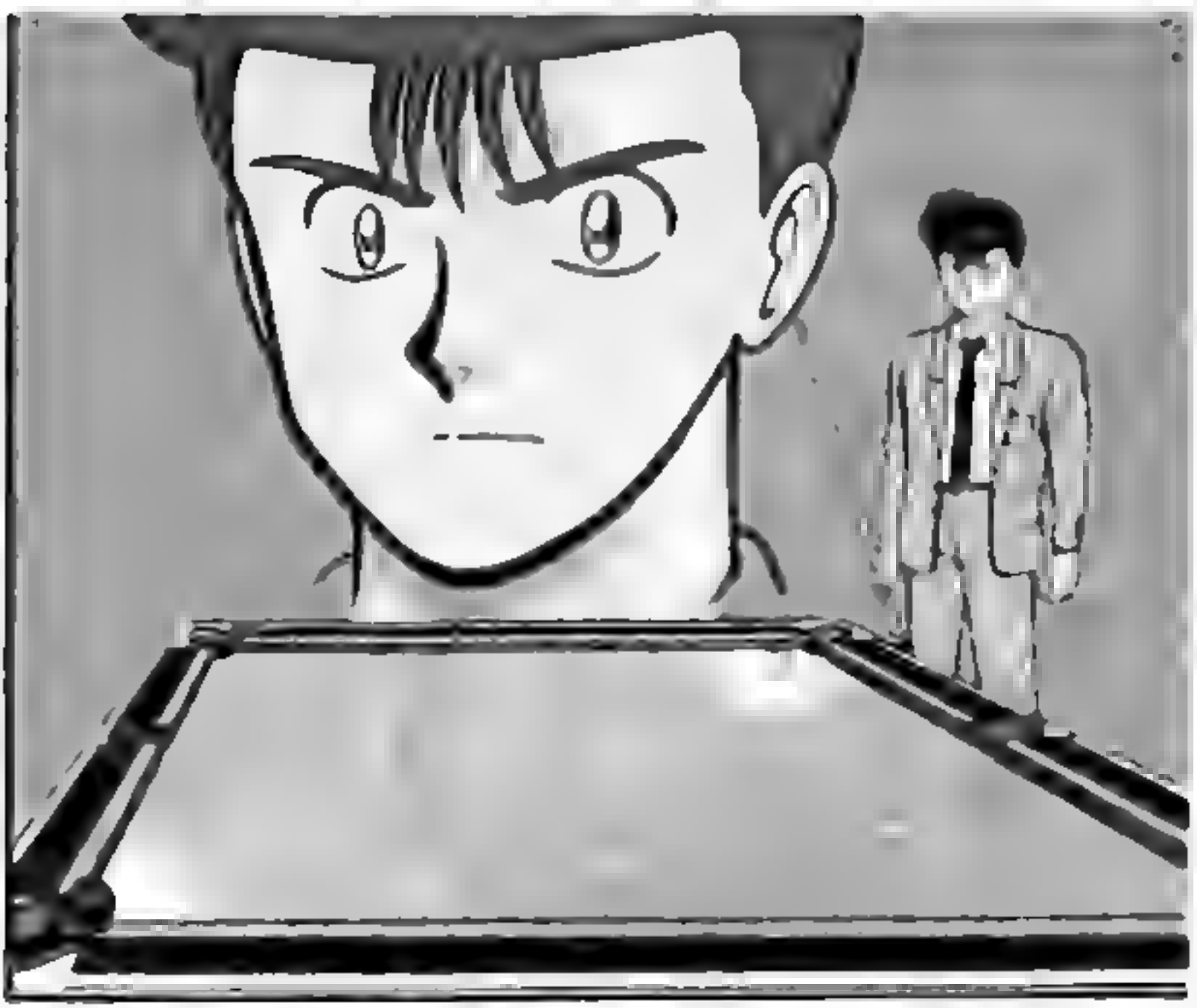
AND ANOTHER BALL HERE

TAKE THIS CUE STICK

WE'LL HAVE THE CUE BALL OVER HERE

8

STROKE THE CUE BALL AND AIM FOR THIS EIGHT BALL.
THERE'S NO QUESTION
IS THAT SO?
!!
8
AFTER THE EIGHT BALL HAS BEEN HIT IT HAS TO STAY IN IT'S JOURNAL PLASTIC
THE EIGHT BALL IS SO CLOSE TO THE POCKET
IF THE CUE BALL HITS IT, NO MATTER HOW WEAK, IT WILL SURELY PUSH IT INTO THE POCKET



THUD

Tchk

CAREFUL

YOUR LEVEL OF SKILL SHOULD BETTER BE GOOD CHINMI

THWACK

RTTT

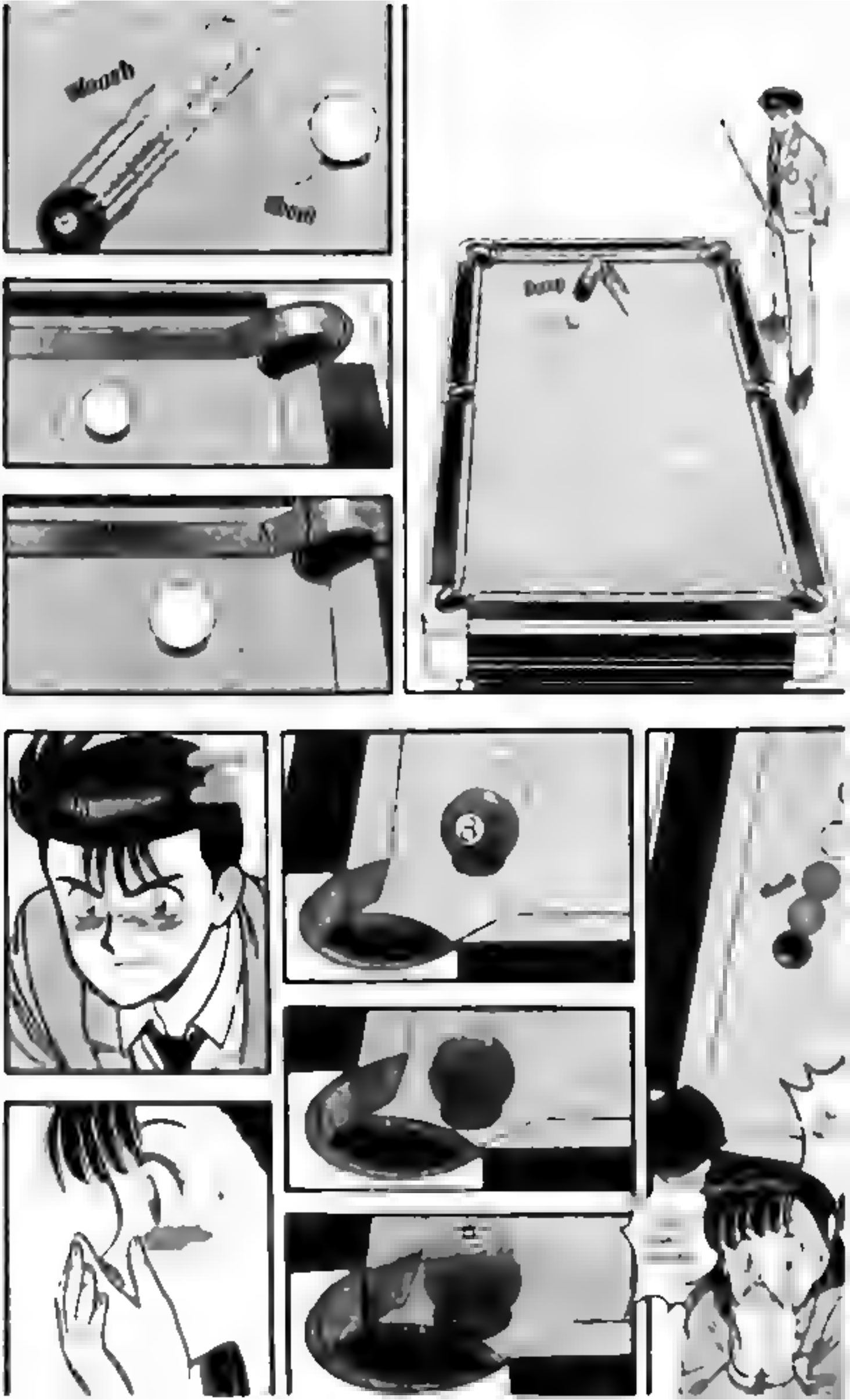
WHAT

Thack

WHAT ARE YOU DOING CHIKAI?

THE EIGHTH BALL WILL

bump
bump
bump
Sweat
RIP
??



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YOU DID IT !!

THE SECRET OF ARTISTIC BILLARDS LIES IN:

FLEXIBILITY, CALMNESS, CONFIDENCE AND CONCENTRATION

THAT WAS GOOD, CHINMI

YOU PASSED THE TEST

EXACTLY LIKE WHAT SOMEONE ELSE TOLD ME BEFORE

YOU REALLY HAVE A NATURAL BILLIARDS INSTINCT, CHINMI

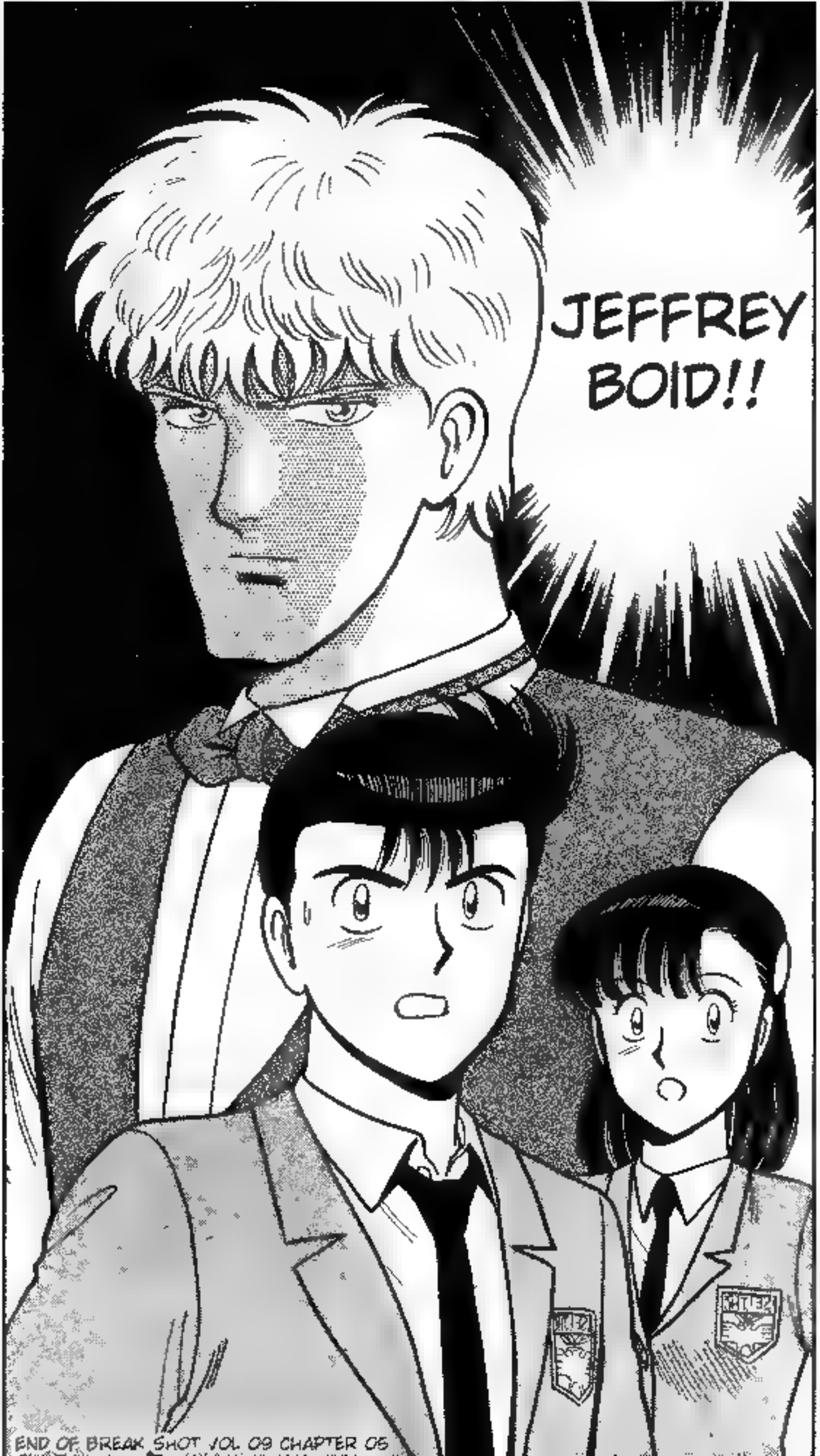
HE HE HE

YAY

THE TRUTH IS, WHEN MR.DOMON TOLD ME ABOUT YOU, IT REMINDED ME OF A STORY I'D HEARD ABOUT YOU SOME TIME AGO

SOMEONE ELSE?

THERE WAS A MAN WHO WAS QUITE INTRIGUED WITH YOU
WHERE DID YOU HEAR IT FROM?
HE IS MY FRIEND AS WELL AS MY RIVAL
DOES IT RING A BELL ?
THE NAME JEFFREY BOID...



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BREAK SHOT

A PRO..

HE'S BEEN WANTING TO BECOME A PRO PLAYER

HE HAD BEEN THINKING OF TURNING PRO AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

HE MADE UP HIS MIND AFTER HE MET YOU IN HAWAII, CHINMI

...

LAST MONTH HE TOOK THE TEST AND PASSED

HIS SCORE WAS WAY OVER THE PASSING MARK

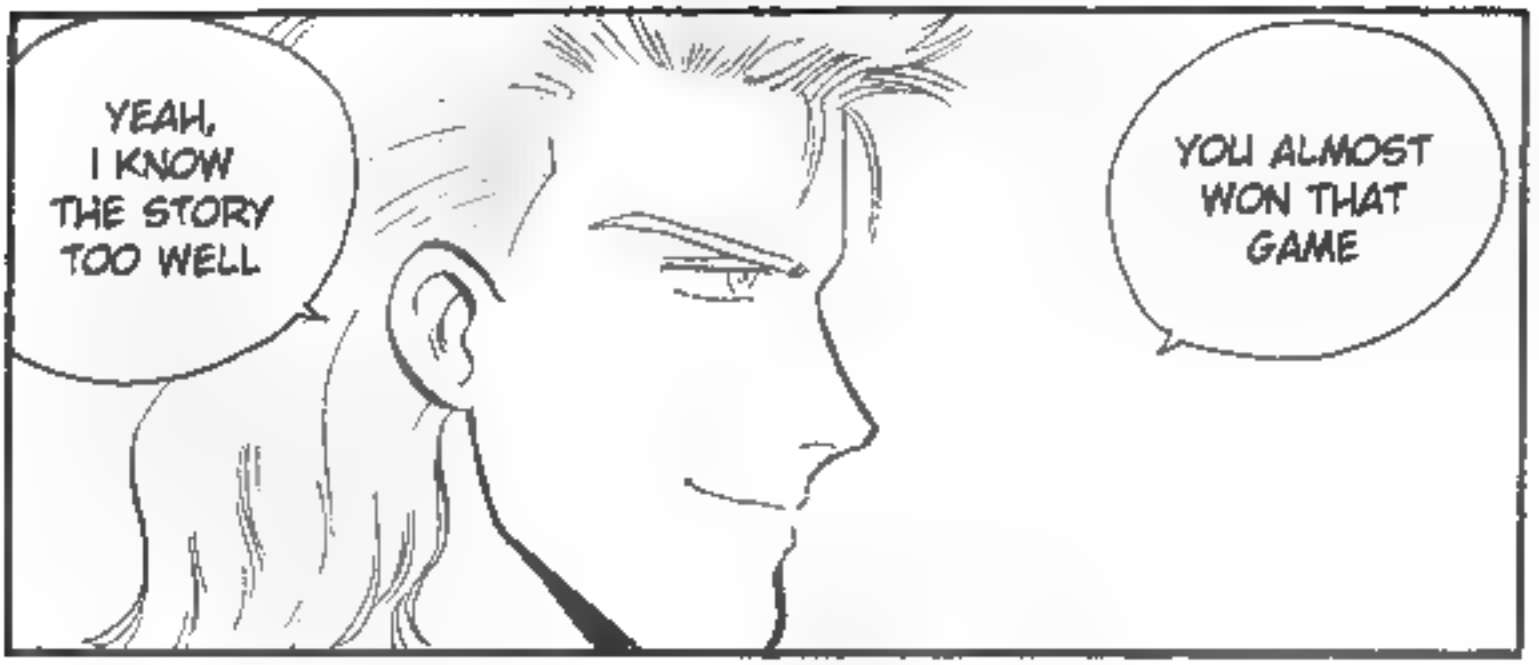
JEFFREY BOID! WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HIM?

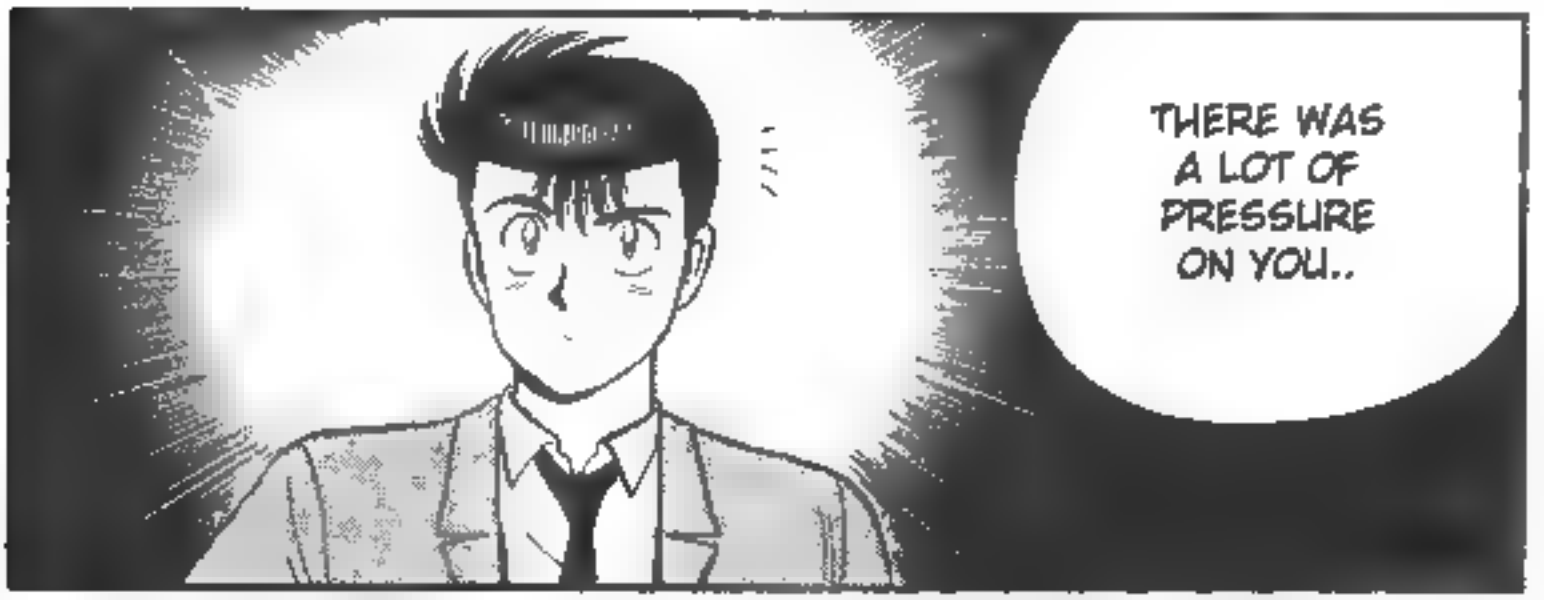
HE'S OFFICIALLY A PROFESSIONAL PLAYER NOW

WHAT ?!

CHINMI, YOU WERE THE FIRST WHO EVER BROKE HIS SURE SHOT
HE GOT DEFEATED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THAT TOURNAMENT

THAT BROUGHT THE SCORE EVEN
LATER ON, YOU HAD A RE-MATCH, IN WHICH HE WON
I LOST !!





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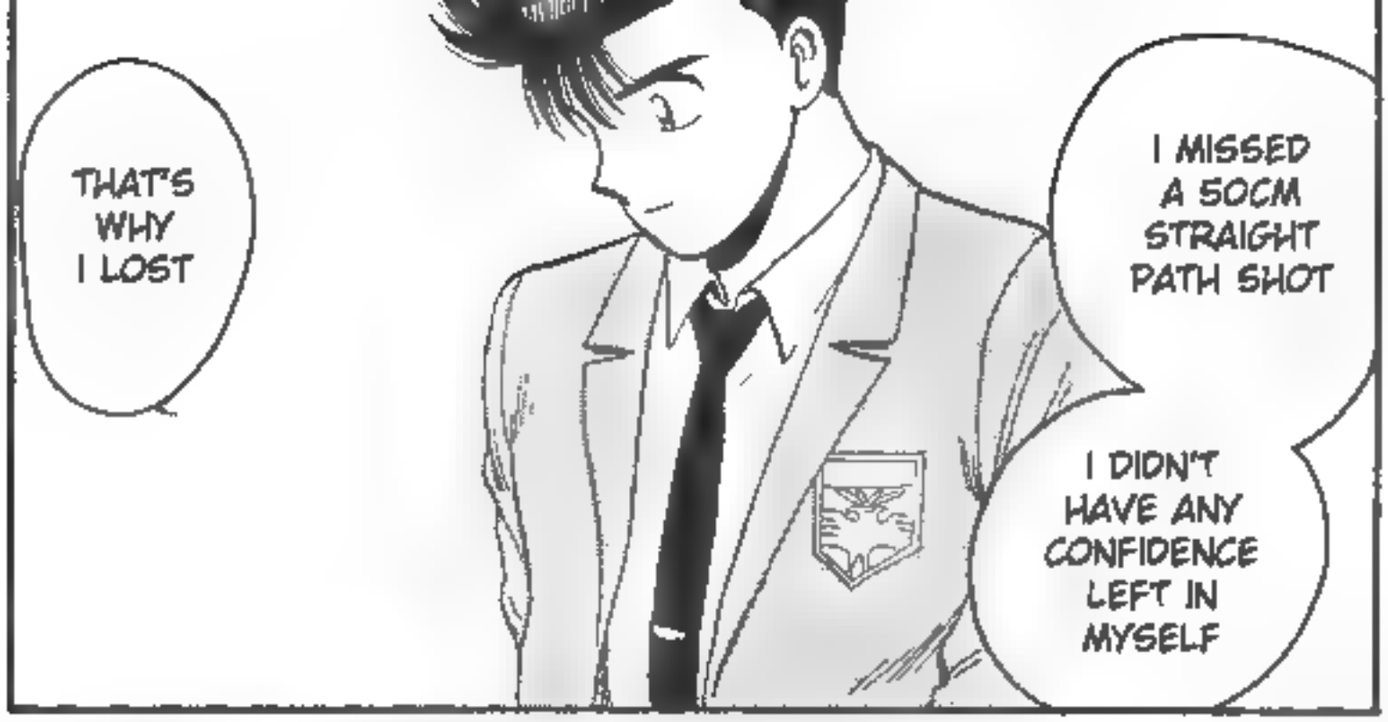
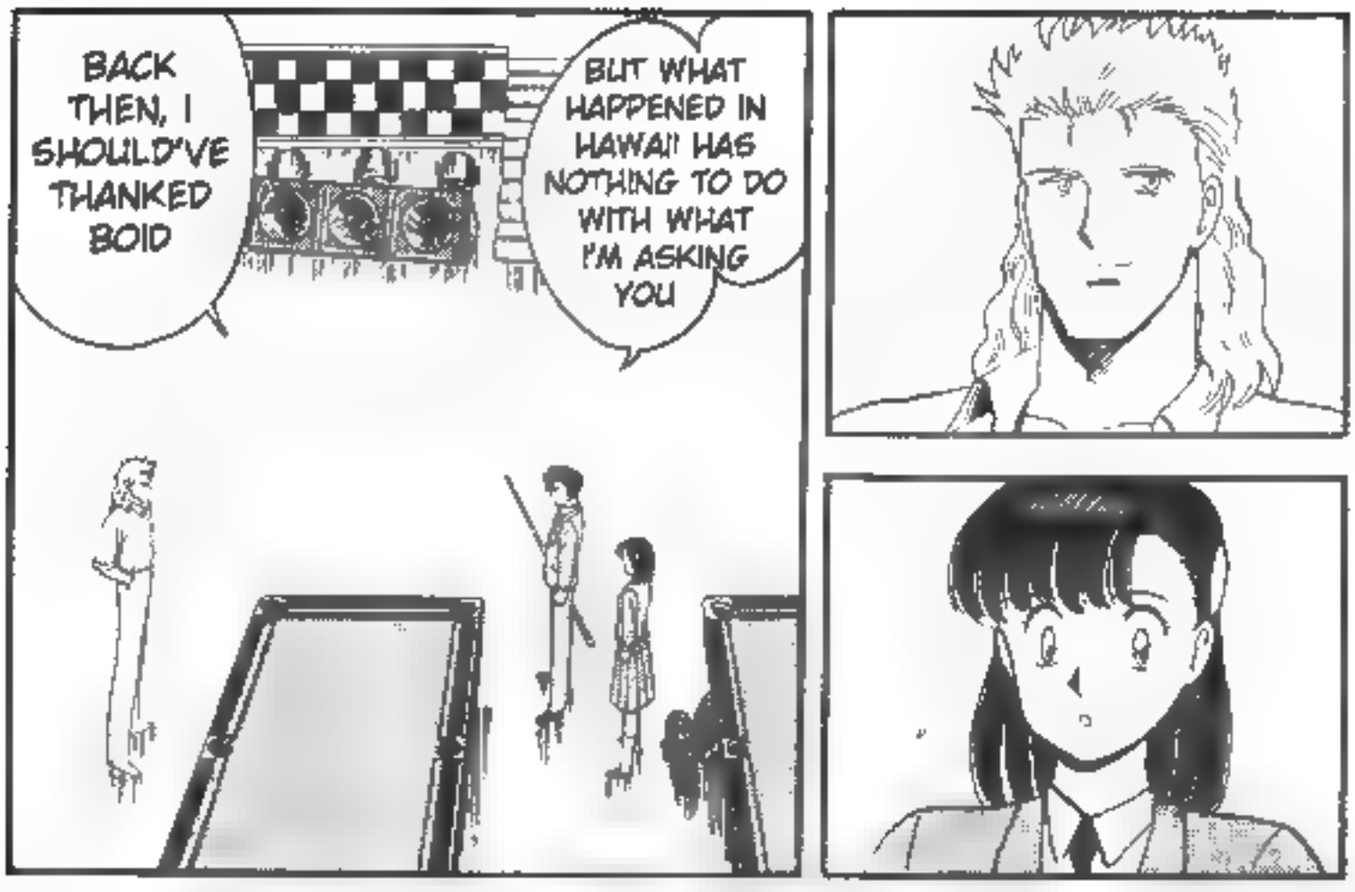

THAT'S WHY I LOST
I MISSED A 50CM STRAIGHT PATH SHOT
I DIDN'T HAVE ANY CONFIDENCE LEFT IN MYSELF

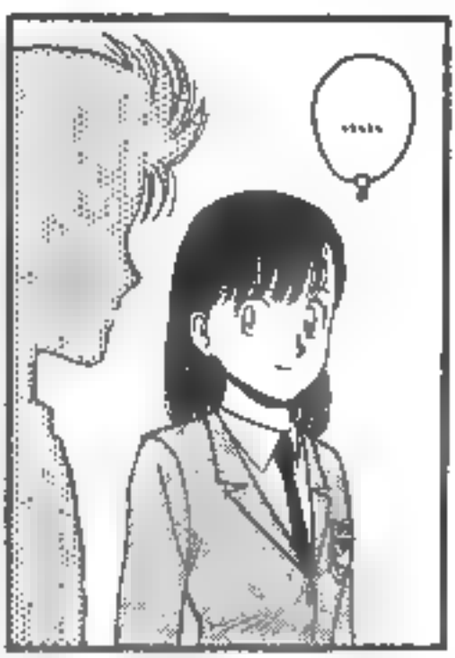
I WANT TO CHALLENGE BOID ONE MORE TIME!!
I SHALL MEET HIM ONCE AGAIN, AT THE AMERICAN CIRCUIT!!



ONCE AGAIN, CHINMI HAS TO PUSH HIMSELF TO THE LIMIT..

CHINMI HAS TO FACE MR DOMON FIRST BEFORE HE CAN COMPETE IN THE AMERICAN CIRCUIT..

HE HAS TO WIN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT



JUST WAIT AND SEE, I'LL BRING BACK THE TROPHY FROM THE AMERICAN CIRCUIT

I WILL GO TO AMERICA FOR SURE

SUCH DETERMINATION..

I BET HE'LL BE OVERJOYED

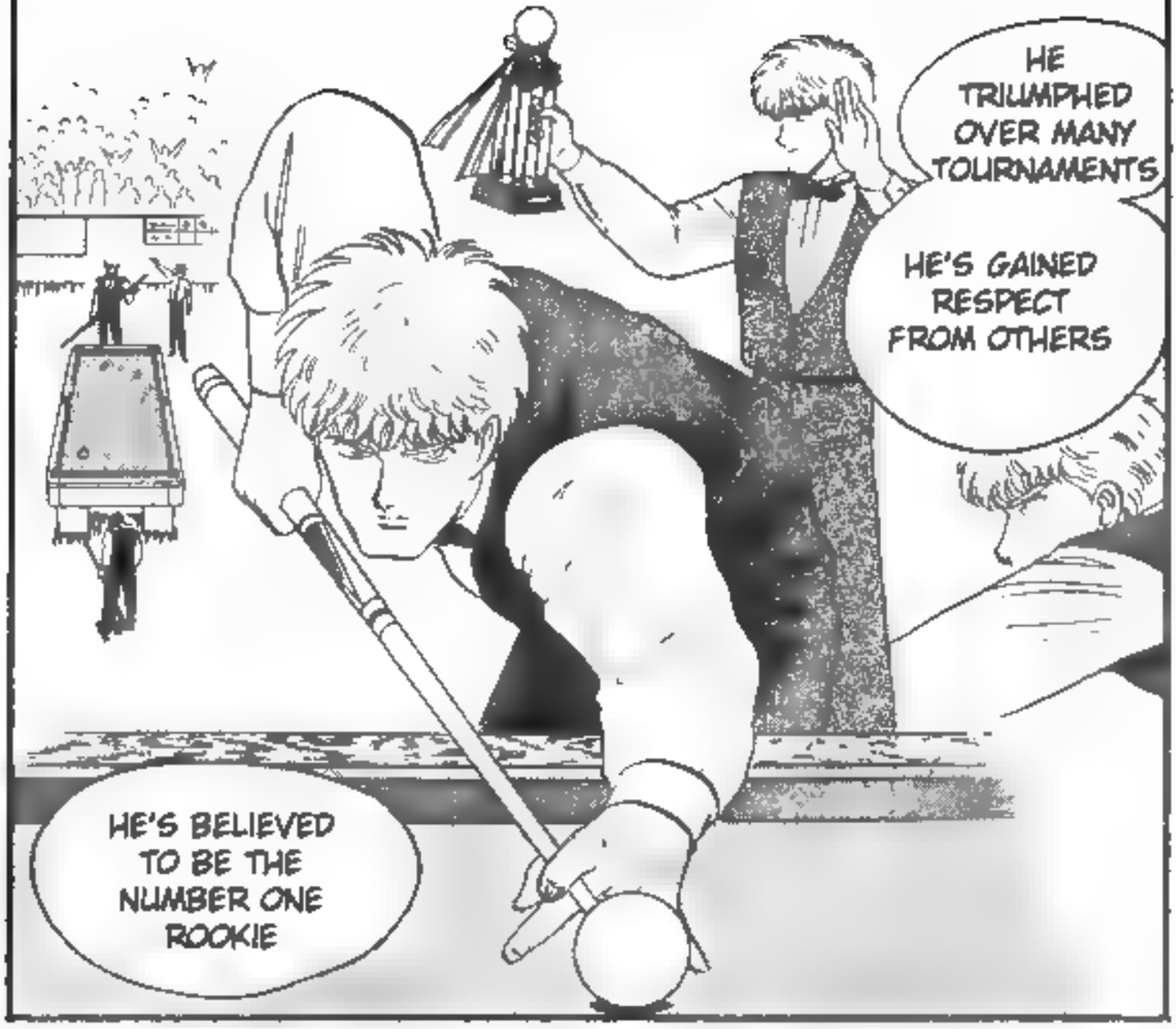
WHEN I GO BACK TO AMERICA, I'M SURE TO TELL BOID ABOUT THIS

!!

BOID IS MUCH STRONGER NOW, AND I'M NOT MAKING THIS UP

I JUST HAVE ONE ADVICE FOR YOU

YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS GROWN


HE'S BELIEVED TO BE THE NUMBER ONE ROOKIE
HE TRIUMPHED OVER MANY TOURNAMENTS
HE'S GAINED RESPECT FROM OTHERS

I GUESS SO!

PFFT..

ONLY UNTIL SOMEONE BETTER COMES ALONG, RIGHT?

YEAH, THAT'S TRUE..

YOU'RE LUCKY THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THINGS LIKE THIS.. IT CAN BE FRUSTRATING SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW

MISS OLIVE

BUT EVEN SO, SOMETIMES I GET REALLY WORRIED AND FRUSTRATED AS WELL..

ANYWAY, BACK TO OUR ORIGINAL TOPIC

THE SHOT YOU SAW WAS FROM A MASSE,

WHERE THE TARGET BALL GOT HIT AND JUMPED UP, RIGHT?

IS IT OKAY TO GIVE ME, SOMEONE WHO'S ABOUT TO CHAL-LENGE HIM, AN ADVICE?

WELL, YOU'RE BOID'S FRIEND, RIGHT?

WHAT IS?

BUT, IS THIS OKAY?

!

I CONSIDER YOU AS ONE OF MY FRIENDS TOO, CHINMI

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

IT'S A SPECIAL SHOT TO ME, AND IT HAS A HIGH COMMERCIAL VALUE

I DON'T GIVE OUT THE SECRET EASILY

BUT I'LL ONLY LET YOU SEE IT ONCE

TRUST ME, I WON'T HIDE ANYTHING FROM YOU

THE REST IS UP TO YOU TO FIGURE OUT
GET READY, CHINMI! I WILL ONLY SHOW IT TO YOU ONCE
I'M READY!
RIGHT!
THE STAGE ...
FIRST, WE NEED TO SET THE STAGE

WHY AM I THE ONE WHO HAS TO DO THIS?!

DON'T WORRY.

I NEVER FAILED

WITH YOUR COOPERATION, EVERYTHING SHOULD BE FINE

JUST LIE HERE AND STAY STILL

MOVE FORE-HEAD UP A BIT.. GOOD

I'M TOO NER-VOUS

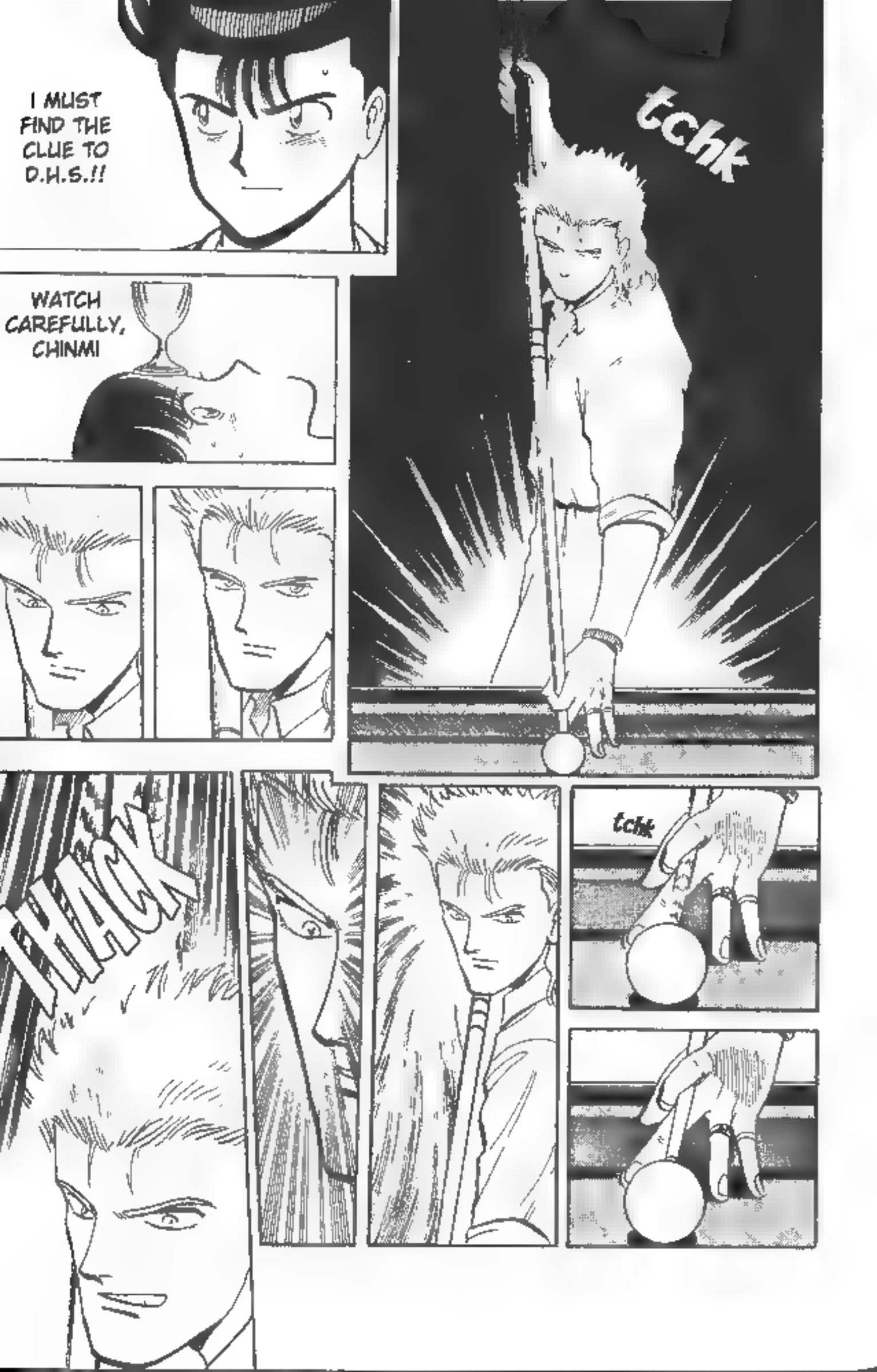
I HOPE SO..

JUST RELAX, OLIVE
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!
THIS SHOT REQUIRES ABSOLUTE PRECISION.. DON'T MOVE AN INCH, OKAY!
.....
I HOPE
HEY, THAT'S NOT FUNNY!!
CAN YOU FIND OUT THROUGH ONLY ONE SHOT?
YOU BETTER PAY ATTENTION
YEAH, I WON'T LET YOUR EFFORT GO TO WASTE

I'LL START WHENEVER YOU'RE READY

I'M REA-DY

OKAY, PLEASE START


I MUST FIND THE CLUE TO D.H.S.!!
WATCH CAREFULLY, CHINMI
tchk
tchk
HACK

R-R-R-R-T
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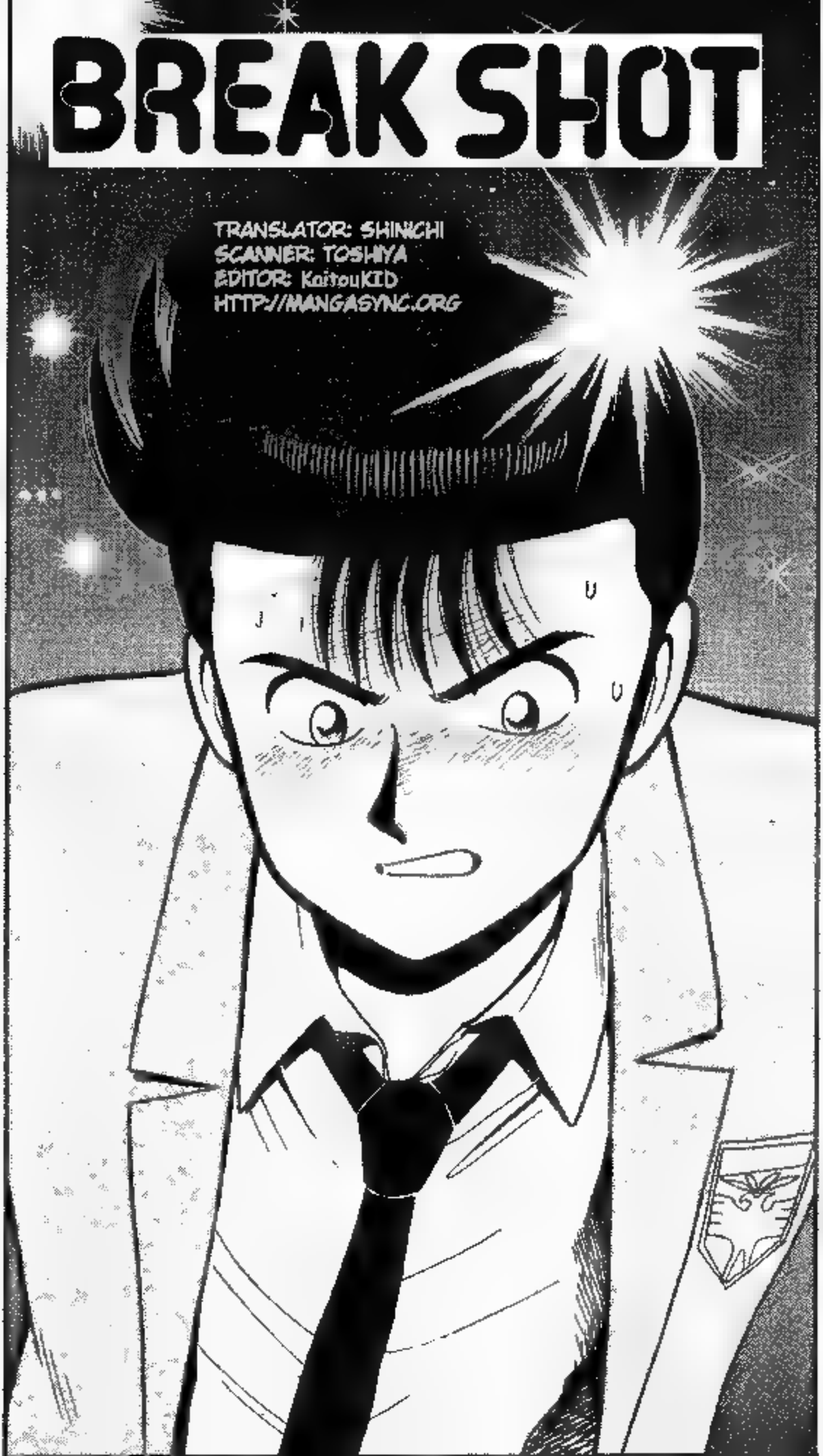


ROLL

ISN'T THAT TOO FAR AWAY FOR A REGULAR MASSE

NOW WHAT!?

ROLL

IT'S GO-ING REALLY FAST, HEADING RIGHT AT THE HEAD !

SKITT

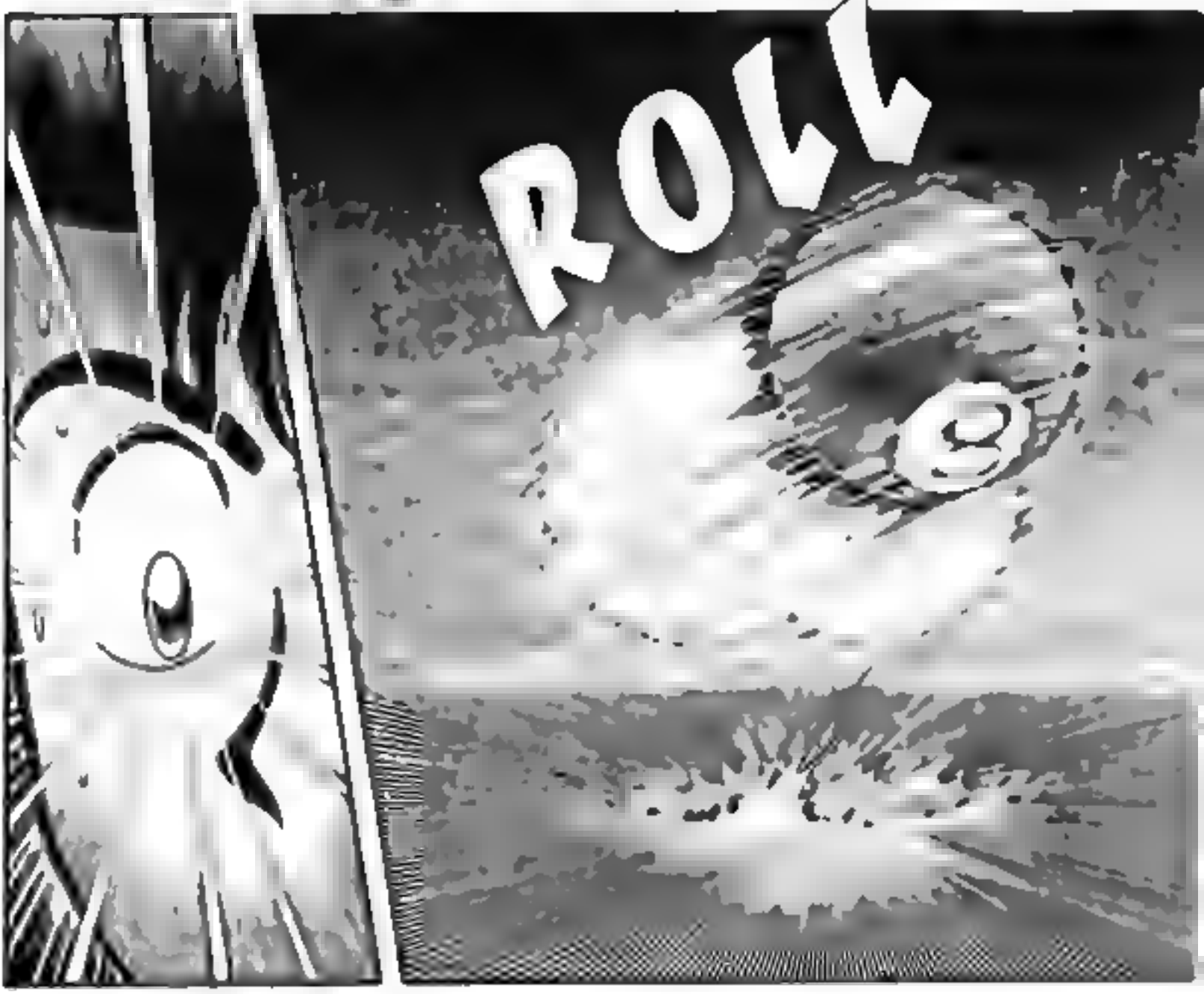
ROLL

ROLL

WHAT A POWERFUL MASSE SPIN! IT'S GOING AROUND HER HEAD!!

THIS IS WHERE IT ALL BEGINS

THUD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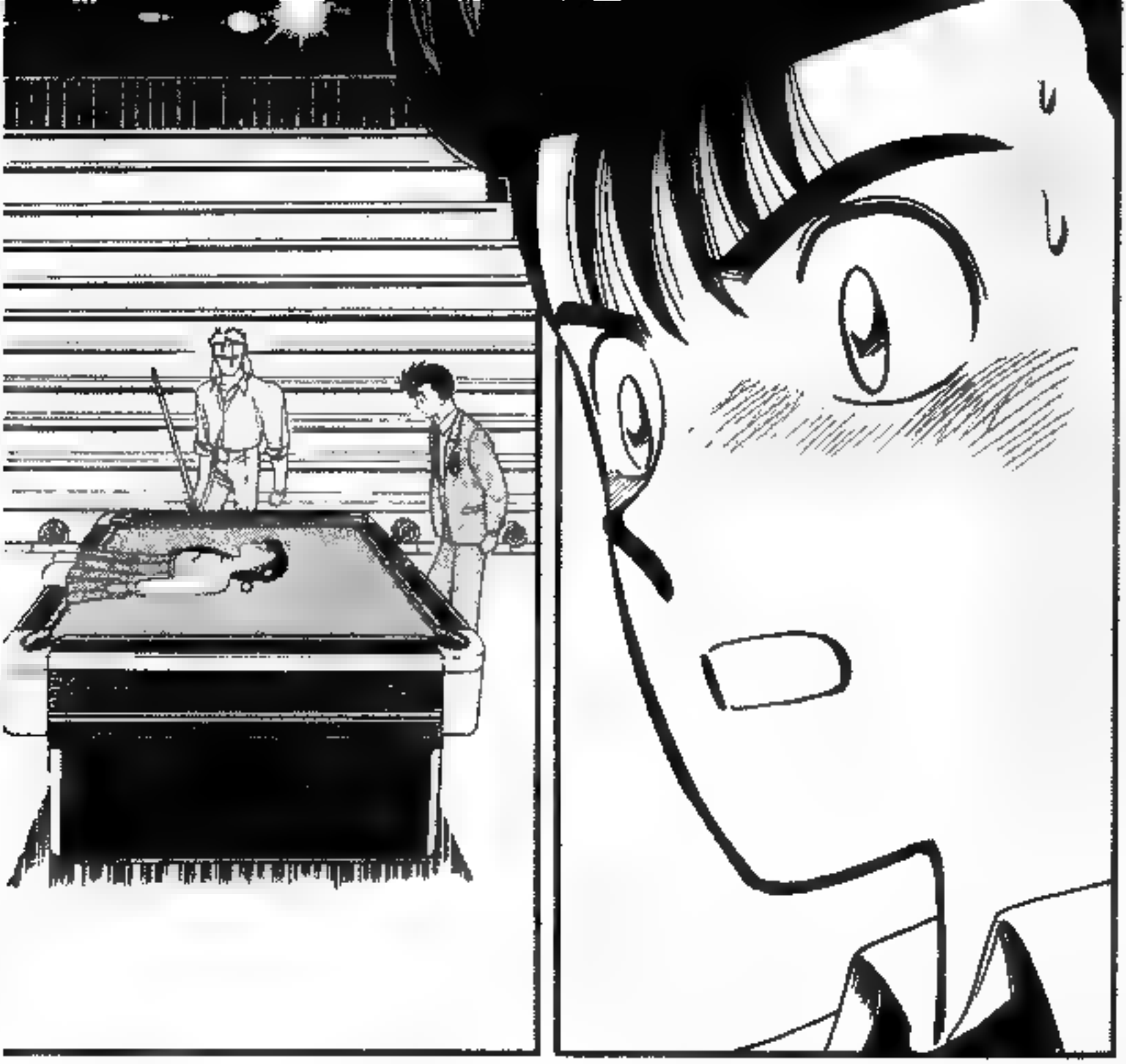
BOTH OF THEM SPINNED AND JUMPED UP

THEY HIT BUT IT'S NOT BUMPING IT OFF

AND FLEW RIGHT UP TO THE TARGET!

TAP
Clack
PLOP



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AMAZ-
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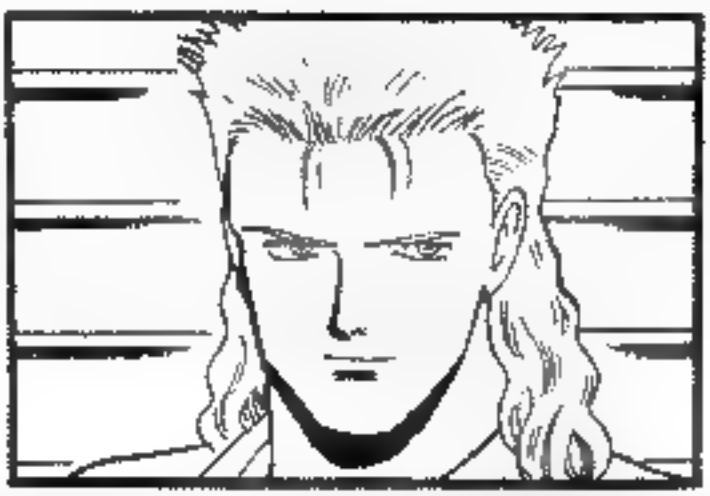


ON A NORMAL JUMP BALL, THE BALL IS STRIKED FROM ABOVE. THAT WILL INFLICT A PUSHING FORCE ON THE TABLE, AND THE FORCE OF REACTION WILL CAUSE THE BALL TO MAKE A JUMP

IT WAS OBVIOUSLY A JUMP BALL, BUT IT HAS A TOTALLY DIFFERENT BEHAVIOUR

BUT IN THIS ONE, THE SHOT CAUSED BOTH BALLS TO SPIN AND RISE TOGETHER

EACH OF THE BALLS INTERCHANGE MOMENTUM WITH EACH OTHER

IT'S POSSIBLE THAT

.....

ANY CLUES THAT LEAD TO THE D H S?
WELL CHINWI
HEY THAT'S GREAT!
I THINK SO
Hmm
...
THIS TIME, THEY'RE OF A DIFFERENT COLOUR I CAN SEE THE BALL MOVEMENTS PROPERLY
ON THE TV SHOW BEFORE, BOTH OF THE BALLS WERE WHITE, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH THEM

MR. MAYOR. YOU PUR-POSELY DID THAT SO I CAN SEE IT CLEARLY

AS I EXPECT-ED. IT HELPS WHEN I SEE IT FOR MYSELF

WELL, WAS IT ANY USE TO YOU?

...

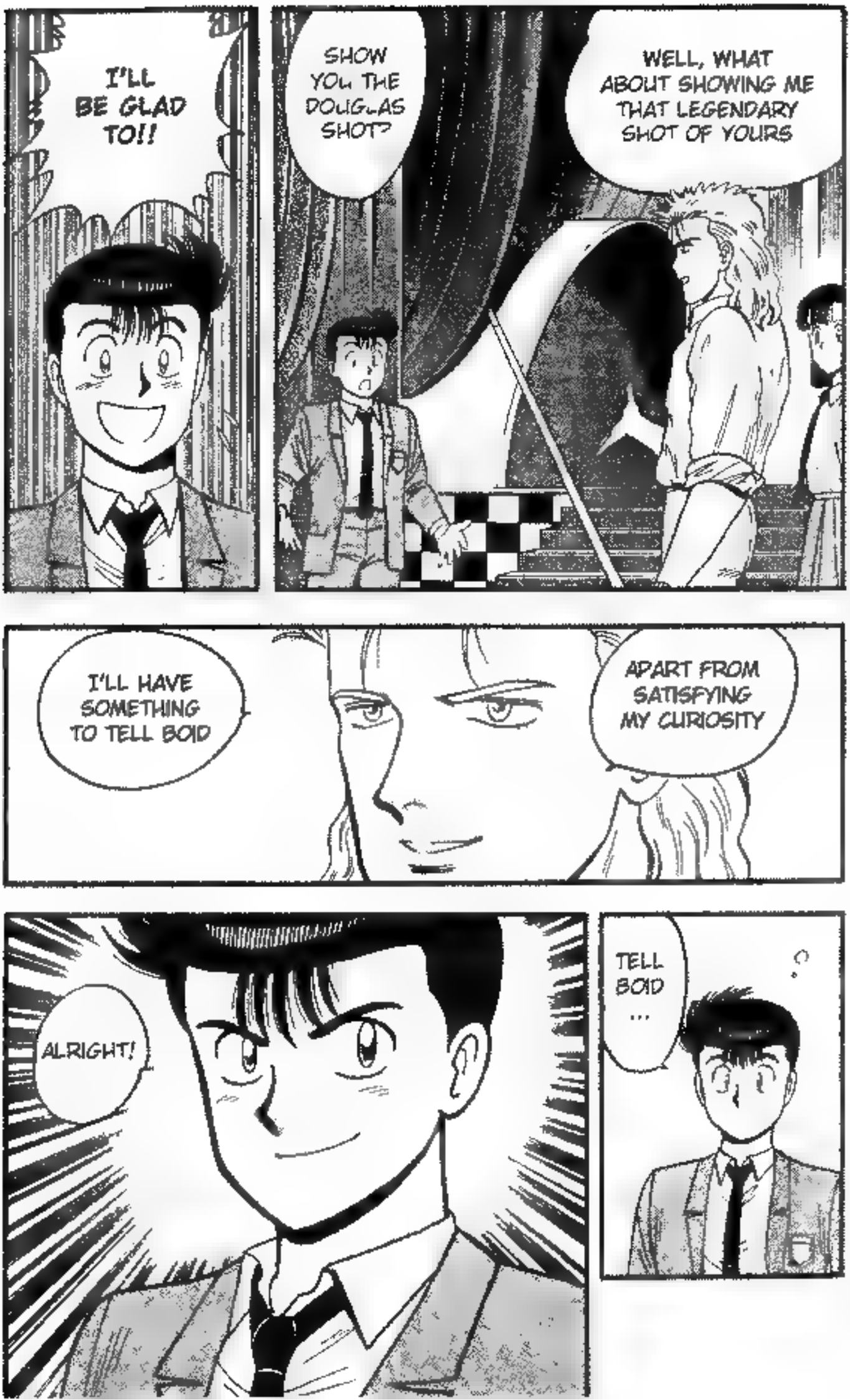
...

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO REPAY YOU

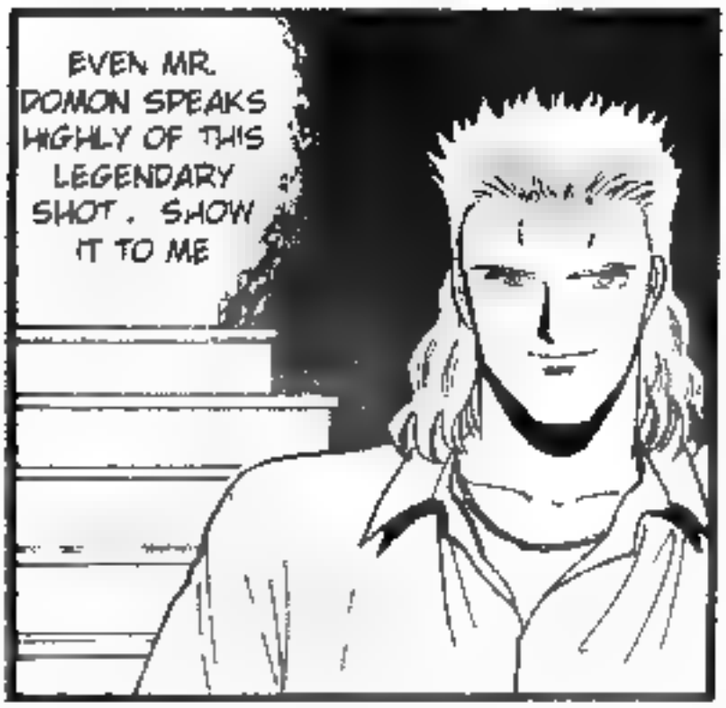
THANKS TO YOU, I SEE A GLIMPSE OF LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL

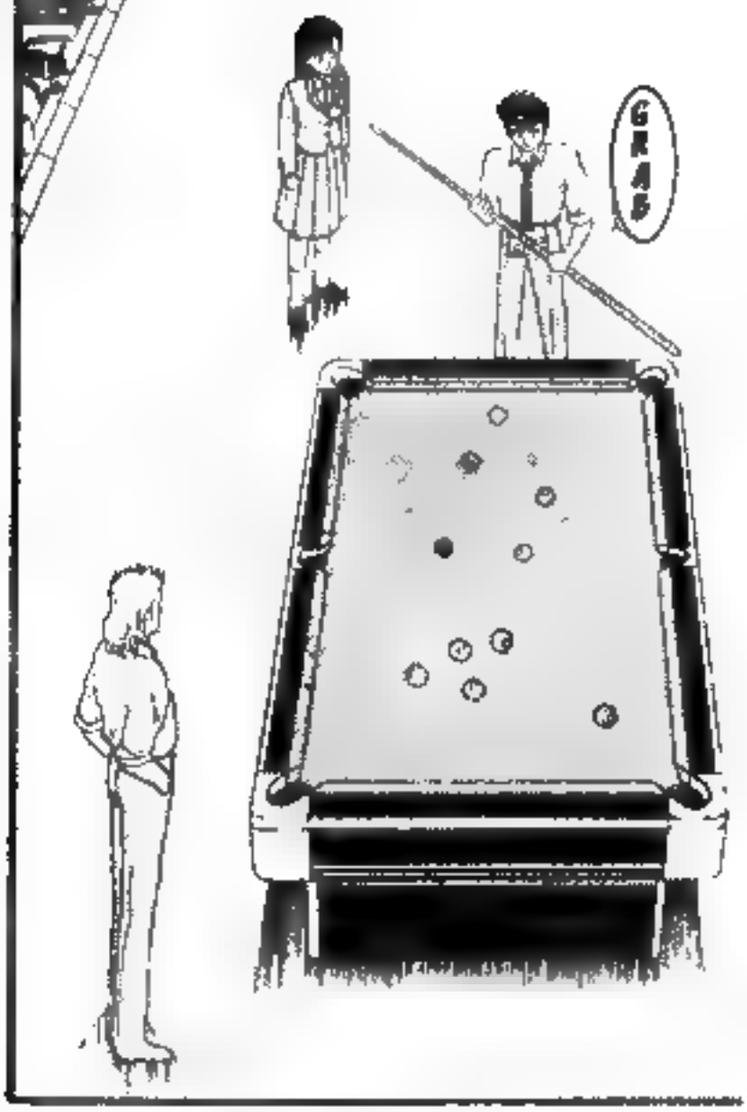
MISS OLIVE, THANK YOU

IT'S MY PLEASURE


I'LL BE GLAD TO!!
SHOW YOU THE DOUGLAS SHOT?
WELL, WHAT ABOUT SHOWING ME THAT LEGENDARY SHOT OF YOURS
I'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL BOID
APART FROM SATISFYING MY CURIOSITY
ALRIGHT!
TELL BOID ...
?

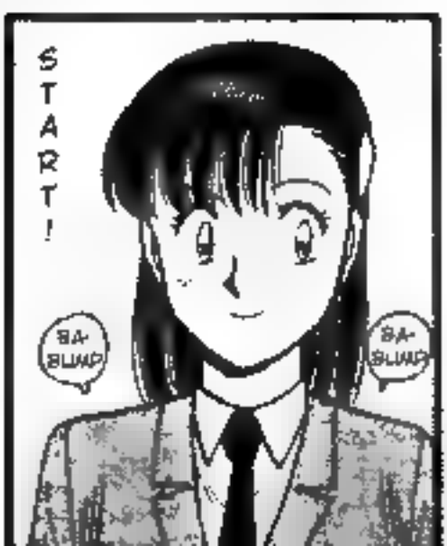
THIS WILL BE MY PAY-BACK

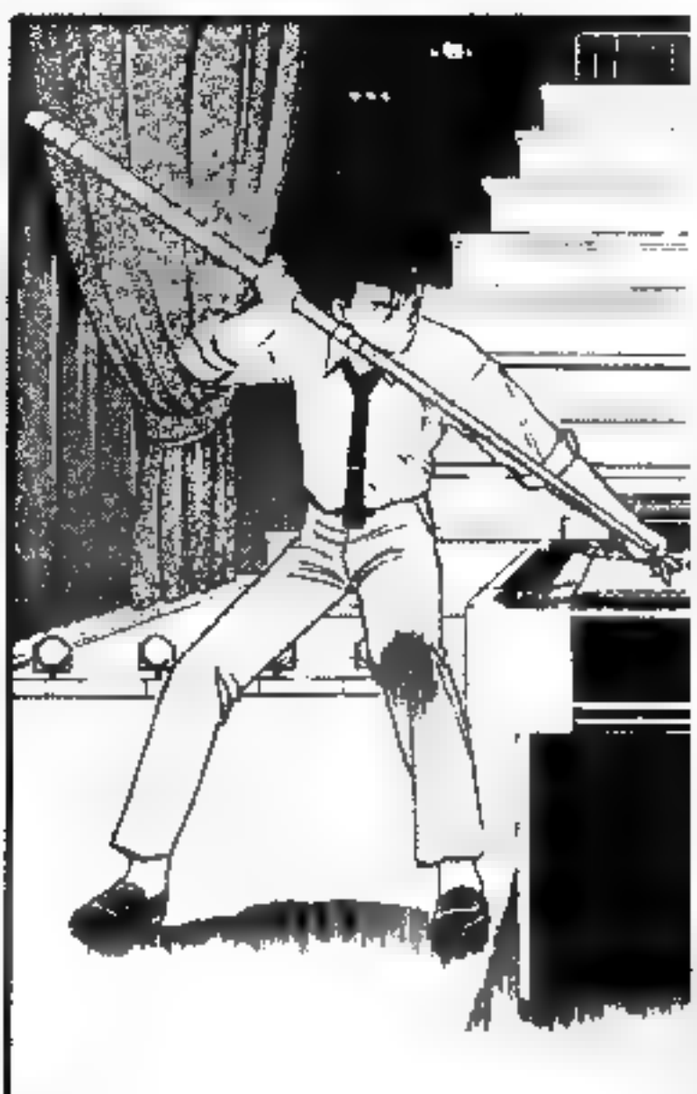

EVEN MR. DOMON SPEAKS HIGHLY OF THIS LEGENDARY SHOT. SHOW IT TO ME


GRAB

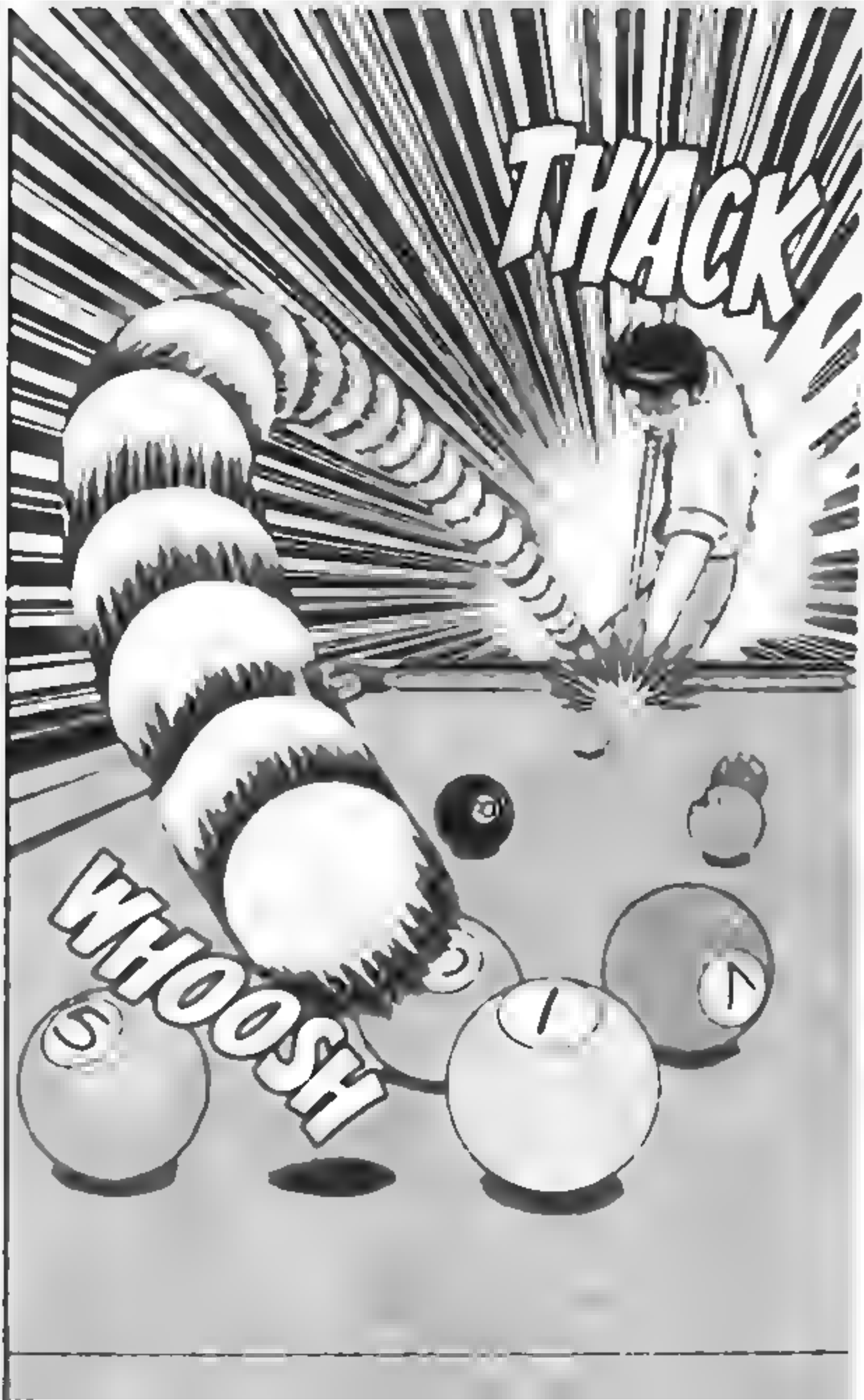
RATTLE
Rattle Rattle

TCHK TCHK
TCHK TCHK


START!
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP



WHAT'S THAT?
HUH?
RATTLE
THE SIDEWINDER! WHAT A FRIGHTENING SOUND..!
...!
SIDE-WINDER!!
GO...!!


THACK
WHOOSH

WHAT THE...!!

!!

BACK

DIRECT

CLUNK

SUC-CESS

WAS THAT REALLY

THE LEGENDARY...

DOUGLAS SHOT..!!

THIS IS MY ULTIMATE SHOT

YEAH!
NO. NO, YOU CAN'T
Ha Ha Ha
IT MAKES ME WANT TO LEARN IT MYSELF
IT EXCEED ALL OF MY EXPECTATIONS
AT LEAST IT'S SOMETHING TO TELL BOID
?
WHEN YOU TELL THIS TO BOID, DON'T FORGET TO ONE MORE THING
MR. MAYOR
BUT IT'S JUST NOT THE SAME IF HE DOESN'T SEE IT FOR HIMSELF
!
!

!!

WHEN I SEE BOID AGAIN...

I WOULD ALREADY HAVE A SHOT EVEN BETTER THAN THIS ONE!

MUST BE D.H.S.

YOU BET!

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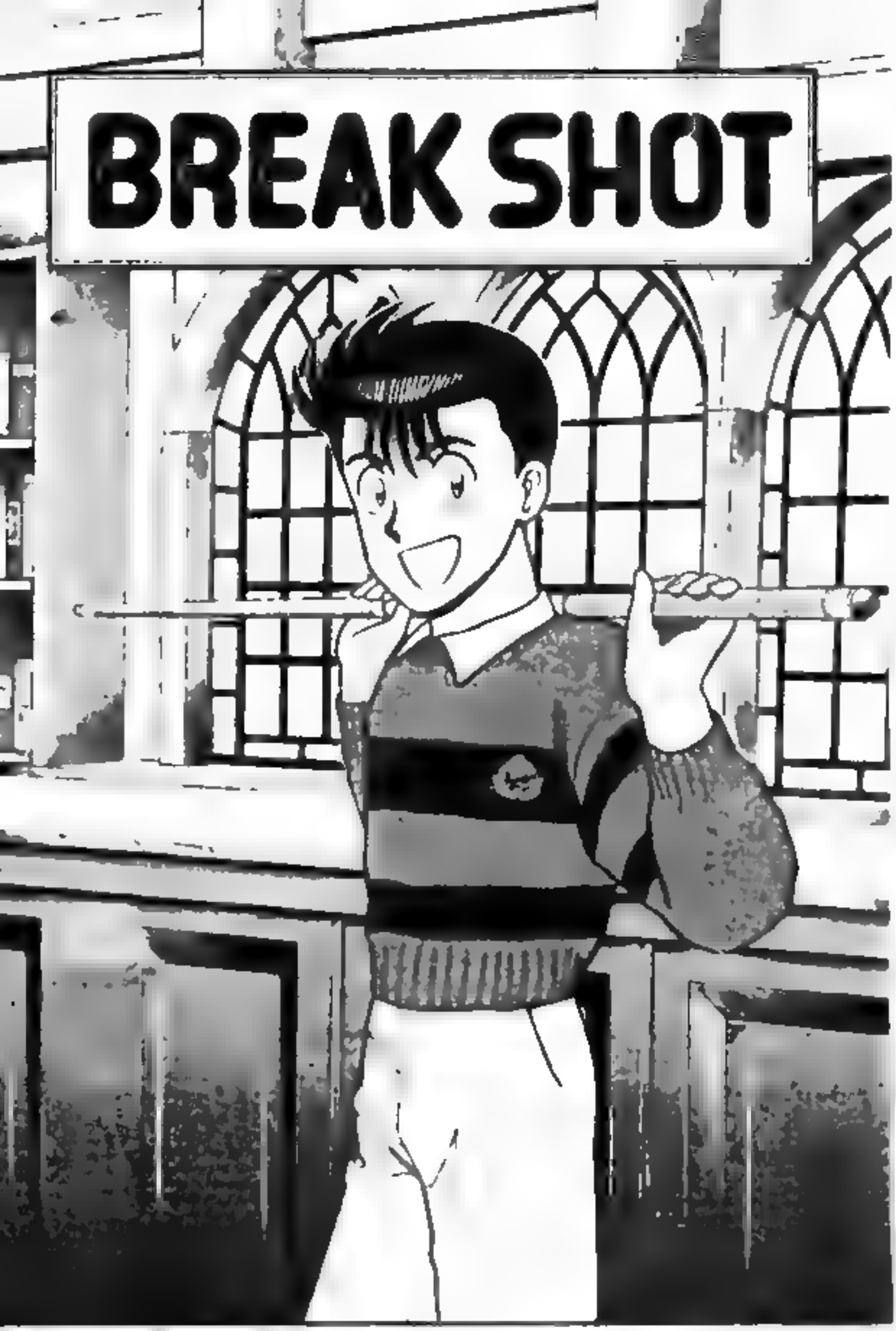

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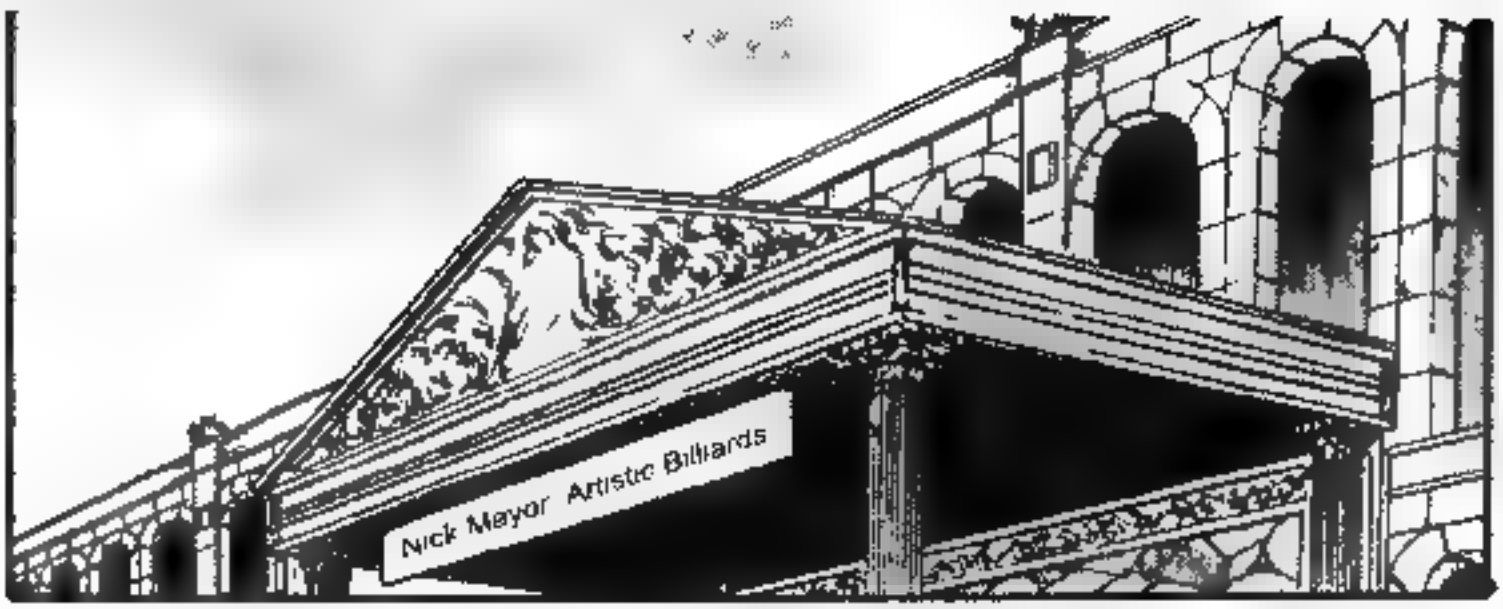
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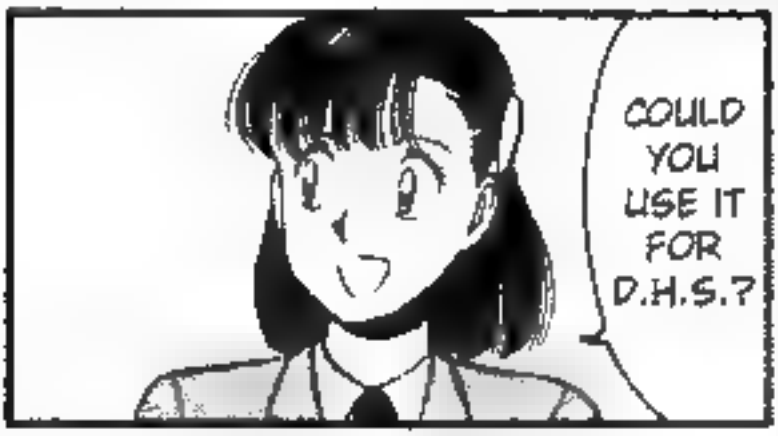
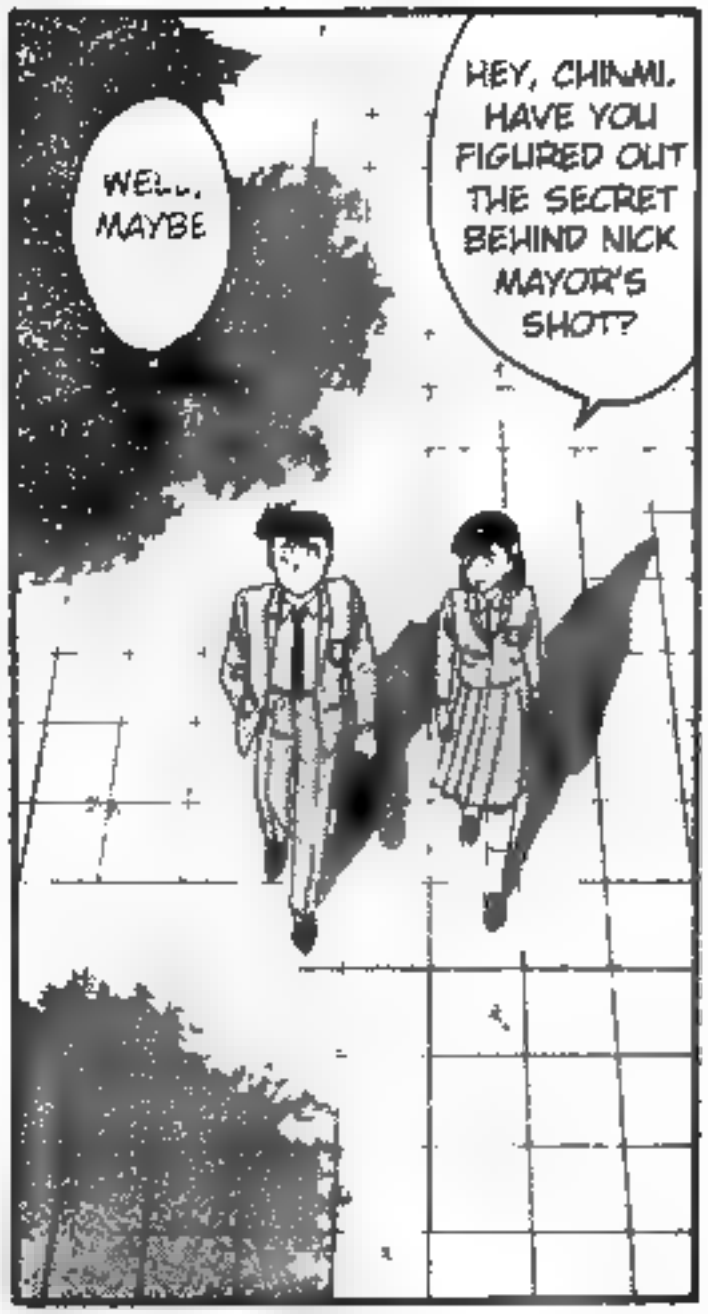
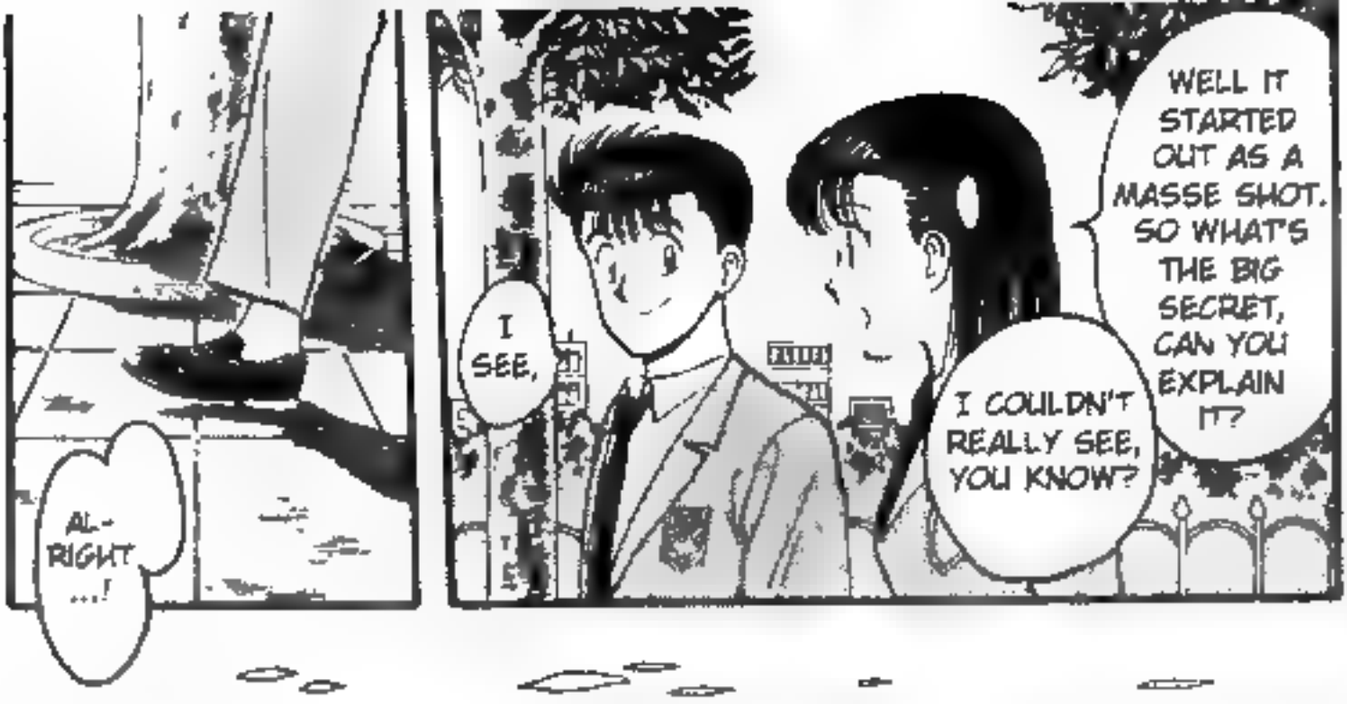
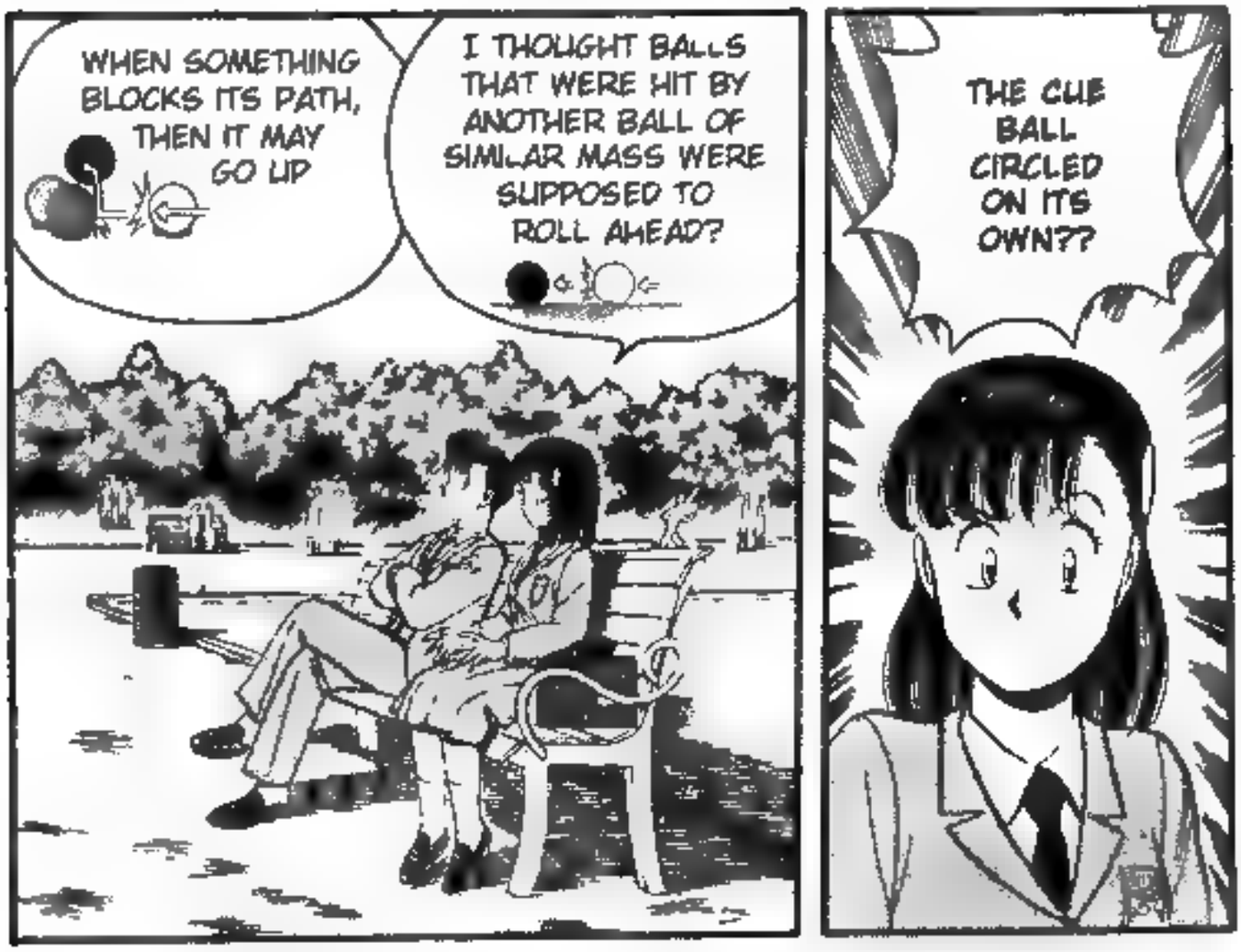

COULD YOU USE IT FOR D.H.S.?

ONLY A GENIUS COULD DO IT
NICK'S SHOT IS ACTUALLY QUITE A SPECTAC-ULAR ONE
I DON'T THINK JUST ANYONE COULD PULL IT OFF


HEY, CHINMI. HAVE YOU FIGURED OUT THE SECRET BEHIND NICK MAYOR'S SHOT?
WELL, MAYBE

TO MAKE 2 BALLS RISE
THEORET-ICALLY, D.H.S. WOULD REQUIRE EVEN MORE TECHNIQUE THAN THE DOUGLAS SHOT


AL-RIGHT ...!
I SEE.
I COULDN'T REALLY SEE, YOU KNOW?
WELL IT STARTED OUT AS A MASSE SHOT. SO WHAT'S THE BIG SECRET, CAN YOU EXPLAIN IT?


WHEN SOMETHING BLOCKS ITS PATH, THEN IT MAY GO UP
I THOUGHT BALLS THAT WERE HIT BY ANOTHER BALL OF SIMILAR MASS WERE SUPPOSED TO ROLL AHEAD?
THE CUE BALL CIRCLED ON ITS OWN??

HE DIDN'T USE THE CUSH-IONS, EITHER
HE WAS ONLY USING TWO BALLS
WAS THERE ANYTHING BLOCKING THE PATH?
GOOD OBSER-VATION, OLIVE

HOW DID HE DO IT?

MUST BE THE WAY HE PERFORMED IT

INSTEAD IT CIRCLED AROUND THE TARGET BALL

THE CUE BALL NEVER ACTUALLY HIT THE TARGET BALL

AND CLIMBS A BIT BECAUSE OF THE PIT

THE "ARGET" BALL THEN BEGINS TO ROL..

BUMP

PIT

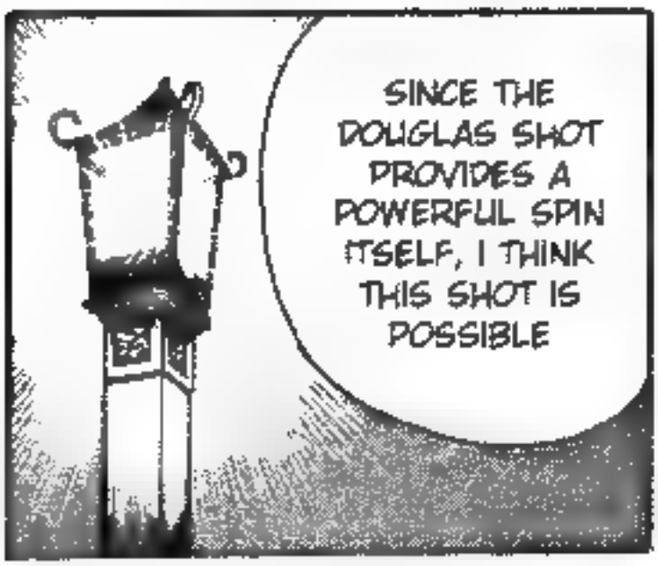
!!

WHILE SPINNING SO HARD, IT LEFT A SHALLOW PIT ON THE SURFACE

PIT

.....
.....
Woosh
AND THAT'S WHEN THE CUE BALL PUSHES THE TARGET BALL UP FROM UNDER-NEATH

HE'S CALLED A GENIUS
AND THAT'S WHY
THAT'S TRULY AMAZING


SINCE THE DOUGLAS SHOT PROVIDES A POWERFUL SPIN ITSELF, I THINK THIS SHOT IS POSSIBLE

THE KEY IS THE POWERFUL SPIN OF THE CUE BALL

YOU'RE NOT BAD YOUR-SELF ...

I'LL DO MY BEST
YOU CAN DO IT CHINMI!
MY HEART IS BEATING SO FAST!

HEH, I'M NOT FINISHED

I BET CHINMI IS ALREADY PRACTICING ON IT AGAIN

I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM YET

OR MAYBE I'M JUST WORRYING TOO MUCH

I DON'T WANT HIM TO PUSH HIMSELF TOO HARD

IT'S WORRYING ME A BIT, THOUGH

Creaaak

BILLIARD ROOM

HE'LL DO IT

Whoop

GREADY

GO

Whoosh

CLACK

Clack

BAM!

IT'S YOU, OLIVE ...

OH,

GULP

I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU

BECAUSE,

WHAT'S WITH THE SERIOUS FACE?

....

.....
.....

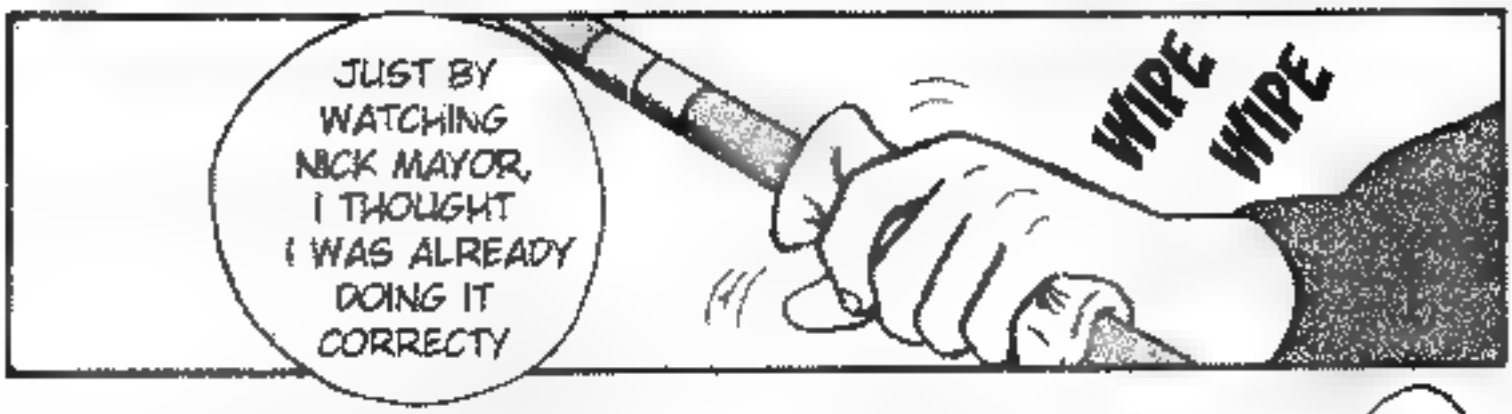
I THINK I'VE ALMOST GOT IT, BUT..

RATTLE

COME ON CHINMI, NEVER GIVE UP

ONLY THROUGH PRACTICE WILL WE SUCCEED

ALRIGHT! BACK TO PRACTICE!

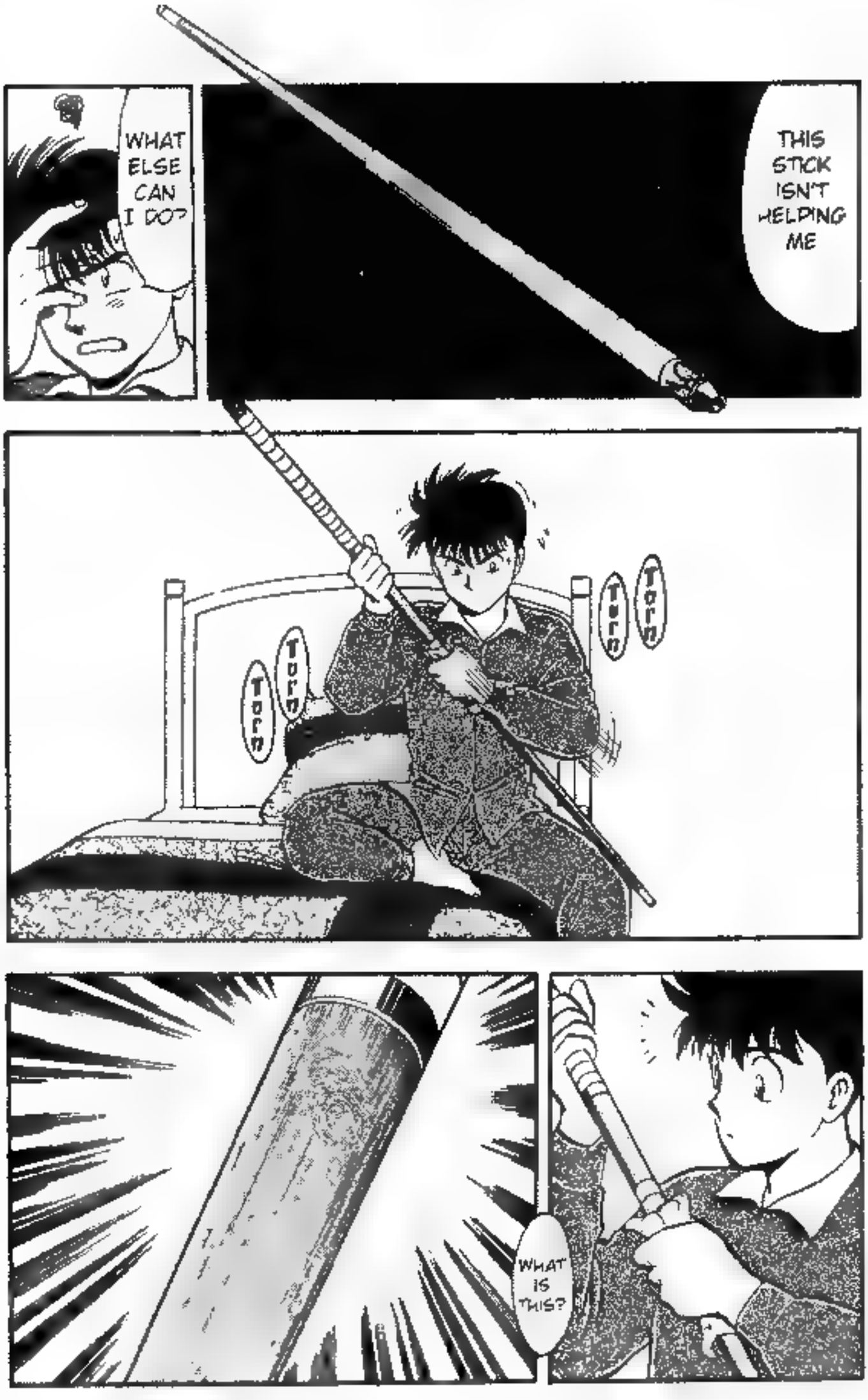

JUST BY WATCHING NICK MAYOR, I THOUGHT I WAS ALREADY DOING IT CORRECTY
WIPE
WIPE

HOW MANY WAYS CAN YOU VARIATE THE DOUG.AS SHOT?
I'VE TRIED EVERY-THING

SHOULD I BE TAKING A WHOLE DIFFERENT APPROACH?
I'M STUMPED. WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT?

I REA..Y DON'T KNOW

IT'S BEEN A MONTH NOW
TURN
TURN
STILL NO MEAN-INGFUL PROG-RESS


WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?
THIS STICK ISN'T HELPING ME
TORN
TORN
TORN
TORN
WHAT IS THIS?

IS THIS A DE-FECT?

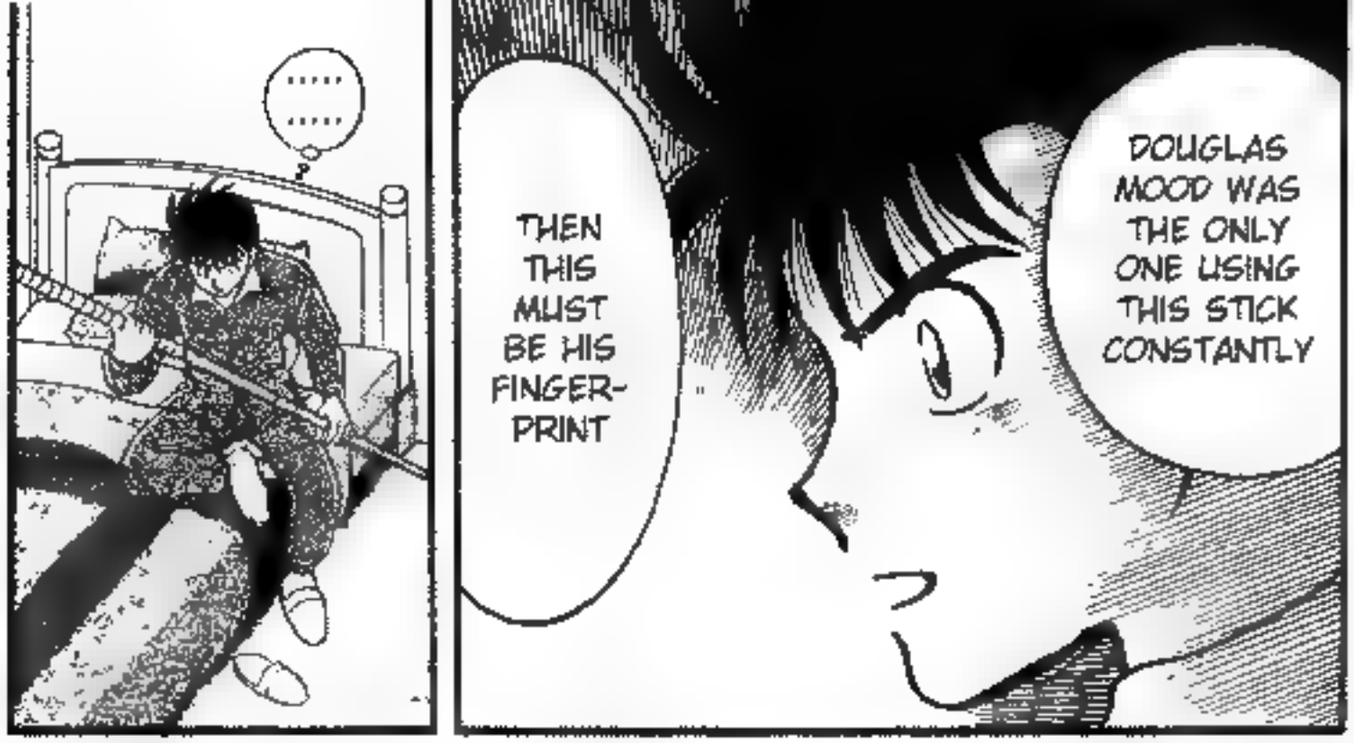
OR DIRT ?

Sweat Sweat

!?

A FINGER-PRINT

THIS... LOOKS LIKE...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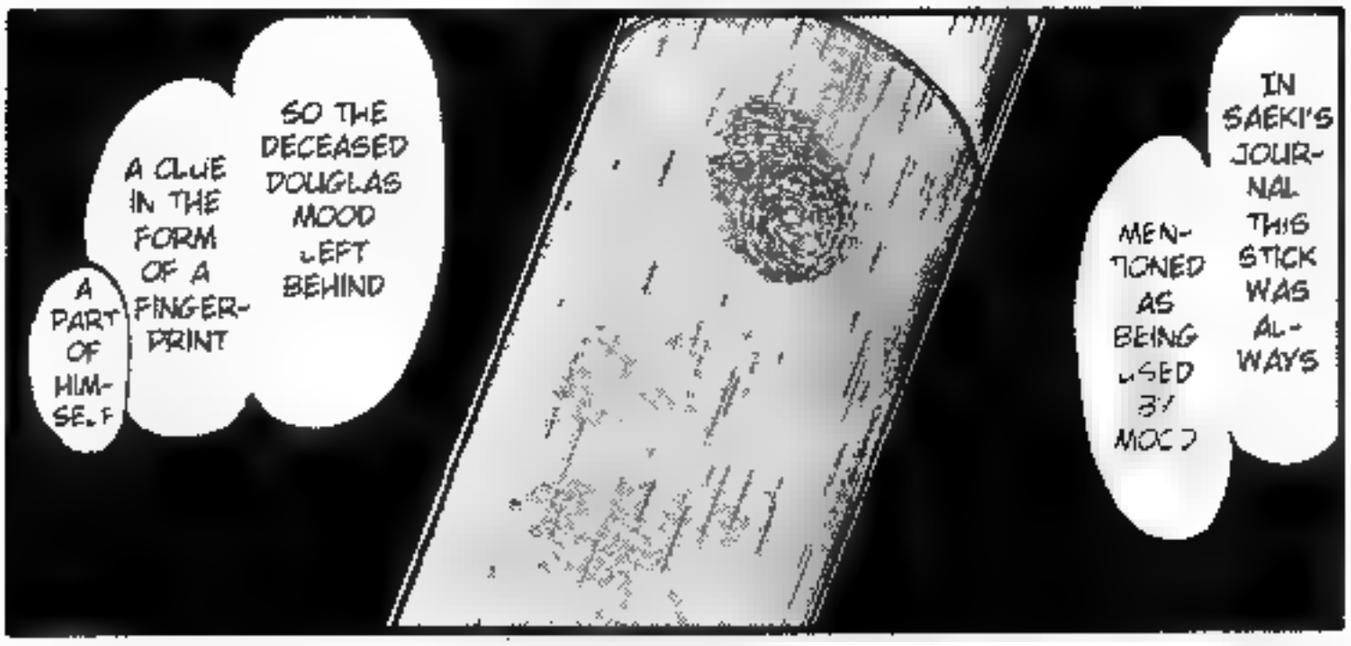
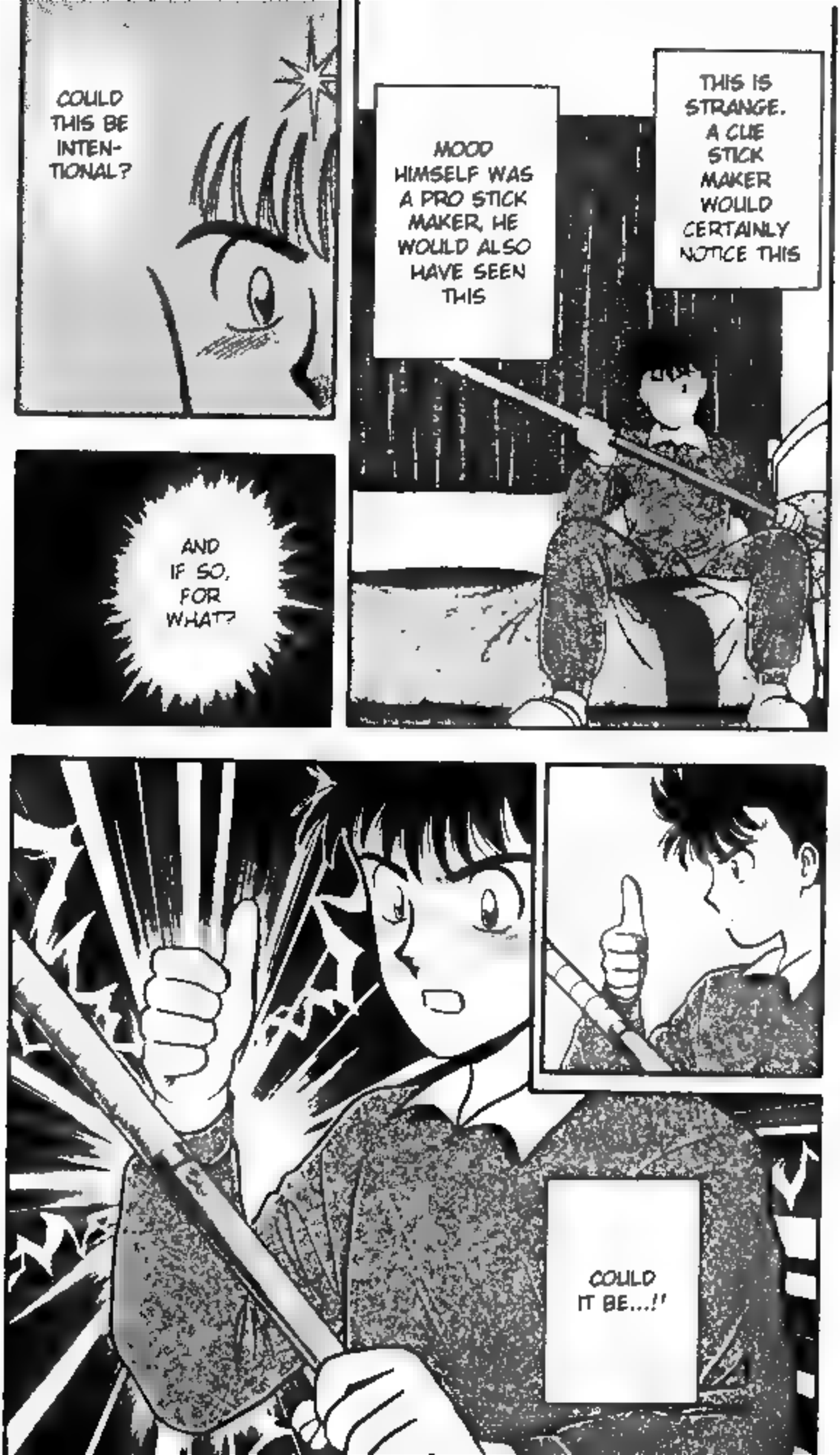
THEN THIS MUST BE HIS FINGER-PRINT
DOUGLAS MOOD WAS THE ONLY ONE USING THIS STICK CONSTANTLY


A PART OF HIM-SELF
A CLUE IN THE FORM OF A FINGER-PRINT
SO THE DECEASED DOUGLAS MOOD LEFT BEHIND
MEN-TIONED AS BEING USED BY MOOD
IN SAEKI'S JOUR-NAL THIS STICK WAS AL-WAYS

IT DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT
BUT THAT'S AN ODD PLACE FOR IT

JUDGING BY ITS SIZE, I'D SAY IT'S A THUMB
AND THERE'S NO DEFECT ABOVE THE MARK


COULD THIS BE INTEN-TIONAL?
MOOD HIMSELF WAS A PRO STICK MAKER, HE WOULD ALSO HAVE SEEN THIS
THIS IS STRANGE. A CUE STICK MAKER WOULD CERTAINLY NOTICE THIS
AND IF SO, FOR WHAT?
COULD IT BE...!!

THIS CUE STICK GRIP ....!!

THE POSITION OF THE THUMB ...

THAT MEANS T WAS SOME- THING KE

THAT'S IT!
GRIP
THIS IS THE POSITION FOR MASSE GRIP!!

BREAK SHOT

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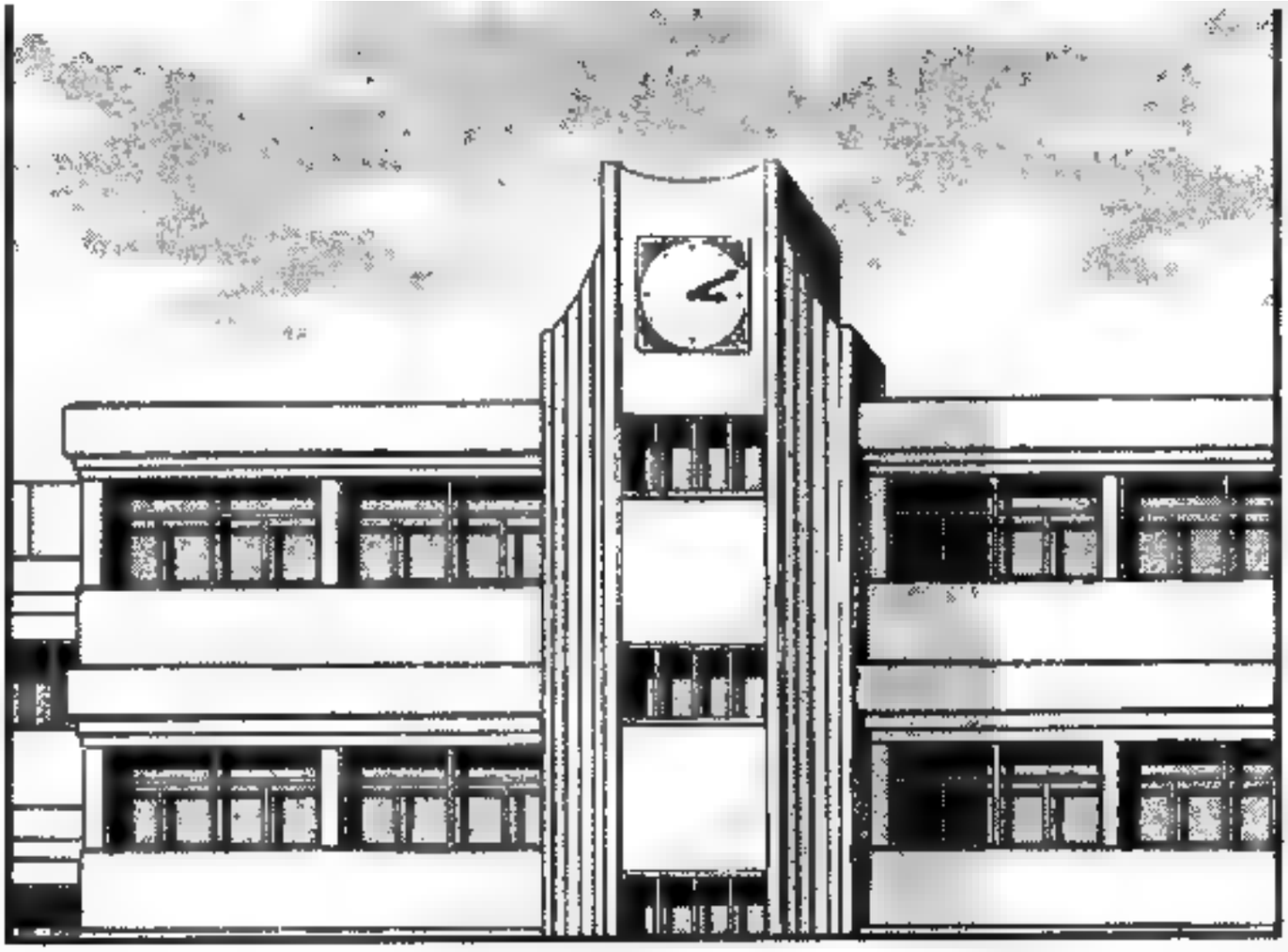


THIS REALLY IS DOUGLAS' FINGER IMPRESSION

I GUESS IT'S CLEAR

JUDGING BY THIS IMPRESSION, THE STICK WOULD HAVE HAD TO BE HELD

A MASSE STANCE ?
LIKE THIS!
WELL I'M ONLY GUESSING THIS IS HOW DOUGLAS MOOD DID IT
BUT THIS STANCE
SO THAT EVERY TIME HE HELD IT THIS WAY,
IT WOULD BECOME.
SO THAT HE WOULD ALWAYS PLACE HIS THUMB IN THE CORRECT POSITION
I'M GUESSING HE USED THIS AS A REFERENCE POINT

THAT MOST ELUSIVE OF SHOTS..
THE DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE!

WE WENT THROUGH HELL AND BACK DOING IT, BUT WE FINALLY MANAGED TO FIGURE IT OUT

SO YOU'VE FINALLY CRACKED IT

THE BALL JUMPED LIKE A JUMP SHOT ANYWAY

NOT REALLY, DO YOU REMEMBER NICK MAYOR'S MASSE SHOT?

BUT .. D.H.S. IS A MASSE AND NOT A JUMP SHOT, RIGHT?

THIS DOUGLAS STICK IS THE IMPORTANT PART

BUT ACTUALLY THE BALL STRIKES FROM THE BOTTOM

EVEN THOUGH NICK MADE THE SHOT ITSELF FROM THE TOP ..

BUT SINCE I SAW IT MYSELF

I HAD MY DOUBTS AT FIRST,

SO..?

WHEN MAKING A STICK WITH A SPECIFIC FUNCTION,
ONE CAREFULLY ASSESES ITS CENTER OF MASS
CUSTOM MADE TO PERFECTLY FIT DOUGLAS MOOD'S HAND,
WE CHOSE THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS SPOT FOR MAKING A HIT FROM THE TOP
SO I WOULD LOOK LIKE A MASSE TO THE CASUAL OBSERVER?
A DOWN-WARD STRIKE?
YUP OBSERVE
BRIIII
Thack
TCHK

NO MATTER HOW WEAK THE HIT, IT WILL ALWAYS GO IN A CIRCLE

MECHANICALLY THIS IS SOME PRETTY COMPLICATED STUFF HERE

BUMP

WOW, A PERFECT CIRCLE

SO THERE IS A SIMILARITY BETWEEN THE DOUGLAS SHOT AND A MASSE

NO MATTER HOW HARD THE SPIN ON THE CUE BALL, THERE IS ALWAYS ONE THING IN COMMON

THE DOUGLAS SHOT IS SIMILAR ONLY WITH A LARGER ANGLE BUT BASICALLY THE SAME SHOT

IN A MASSE, THE STICK IS HELD ALMOST UPRIGHT WITH A SMALL ANGLE TOWARDS THE VERTICAL

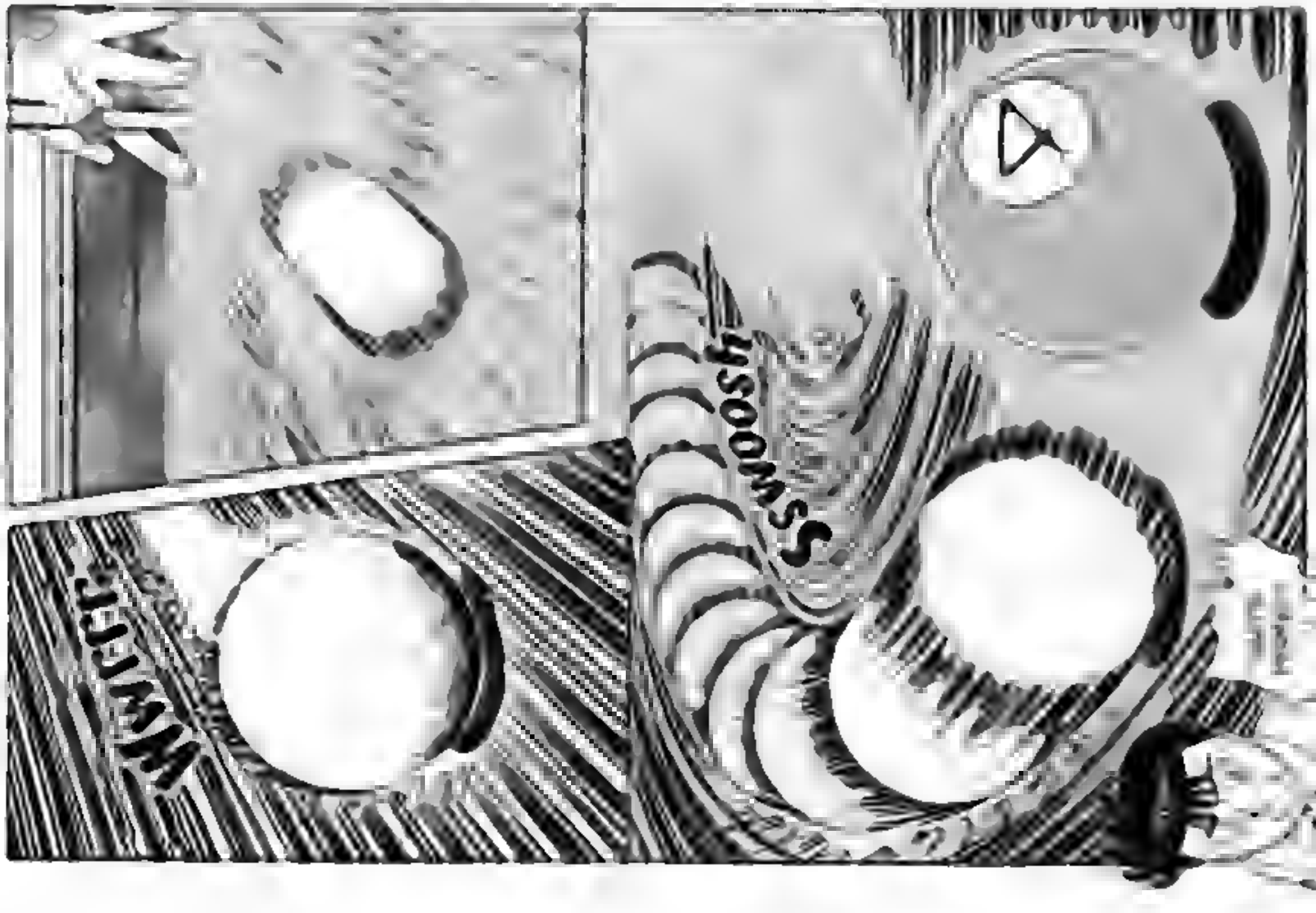
MASSE

DOUGLAS SHOT

SO EVEN A MASSE IS A VARIANT OF THE DOUGLAS SHOT
THE SPIN IS EXECUTED SO FAST THAT THE BALL JUMPS UP
4
NOW IT'S JUST A MATTER OF HOW HARD THE SPIN SHOULD BE TO MAKE TWO BALLS JUMP

Twirl
Twirl
Twirl
Twirl
IT'S NOT MAKING THE SAME SOUND THIS WAY
WHUD
WHUD
Twirl
Twirl
...Oh.

THWACK


WHOOSH
BOOOMSS

Thack

BUMP

BUMP

THEY JUMPED!!

CHINMI, THE TWO BALLS, THEY BOTH JUMPED!

THIS IS SOME STICK

PERFECT BALANCE

I CANNOT EXPRESS MY ADMIRATION FOR DOUGLAS MOOD'S GENIUS

THAT'S A WEIGHT OFF MY SHOULDERS

LET'S TRY IT AGAIN

Thack

Bump

Bump

Bump

LET'S TRY THIS AGAIN

THACK

THACK

THACK

I H.S. SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONTROL BOTH BALLS WITH ABSOLUTE PRECISION

IT'S NOT HIGH ENOUGH

IT'S ONLY JUMPING A SHORT DISTANCE

I JUST JUMPED ONE HURDLE, NOW THERE'S ALREADY ANOTHER ONE

COULD IT BE THAT I LACK THE STRENGTH TO SPIN IT HARD ENOUGH?

HE HE

JUST TO GIVE IT A GO

...

CHINMI, CAN I BORROW THE DOUGLAS STICK FOR A BIT?

WHAT FOR?

SLIP

—

Tchk

Tchk

I AM A MEMBER OF THE BILLIARDS CLUB, AFTER ALL.

WATCH CLOSELY

HUH?

ERK

RTT
Tap

IS HE ANGRY WITH ME?
CHINMI..?

I'M SO SORRY.. IT JUST SLIPPED
YOU CAUGHT IT!

COULD IT BE..

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BREAK SHOT

CHINMI, DID YOU DISCOVER SOMETHING FROM WHAT I DID?

TO MAKE TWO BALLS JUMP, A GREATER SPIN IS NEEDED

IT'S THE SPIN

THAT WAS THE MISSING CLUE

TCHK TCHK

Rat tle

Rat tle

RATTLE RATTLE

Rattle Rattle

THE SOUND'S NOT CHANG-ING

JUST LIKE THE WAY IT WAS BEFORE

SO IT ALL COMES DOWN TO THE GRIP

LIKE THIS!!

NOW

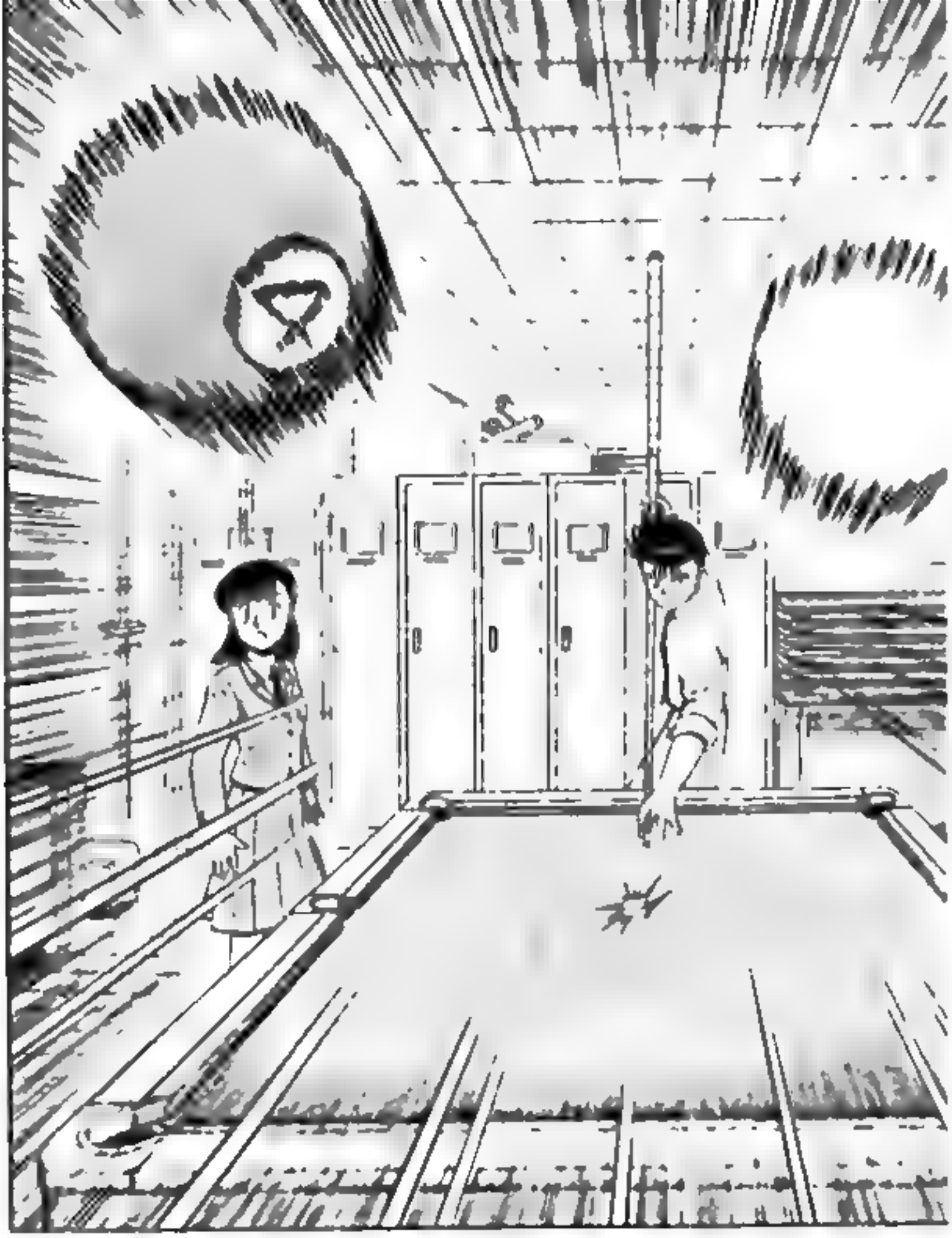
RATTLE

RATTLE

WHAT AN EERIE SOUND

Thwack

Thack



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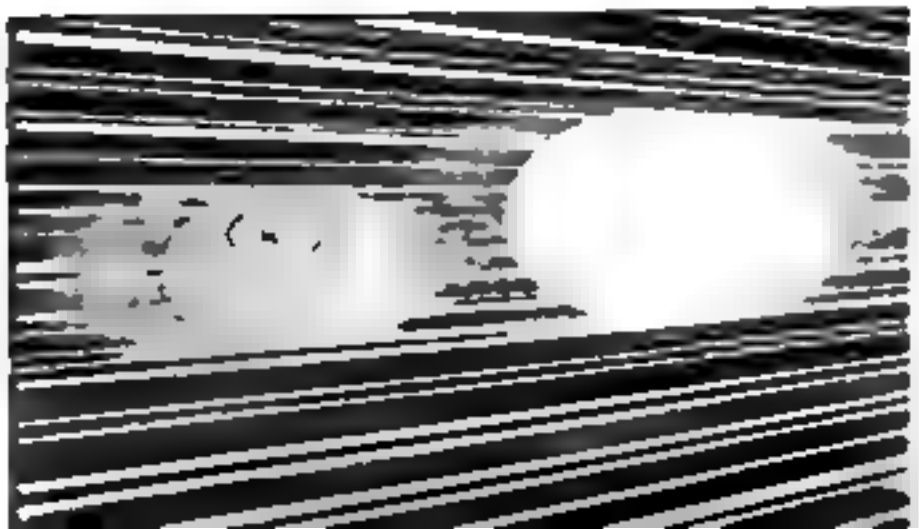
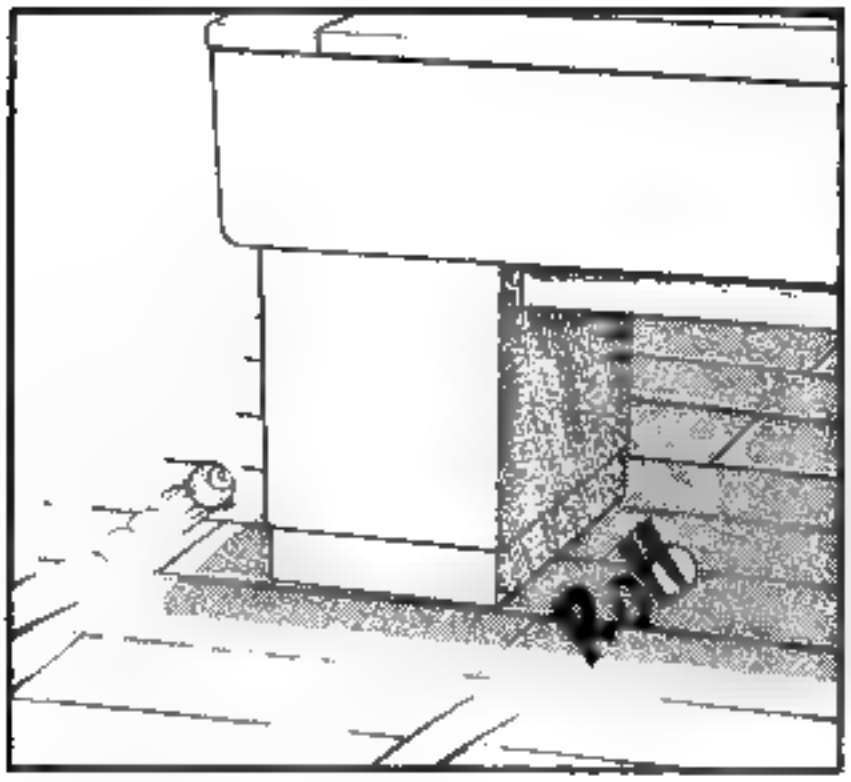
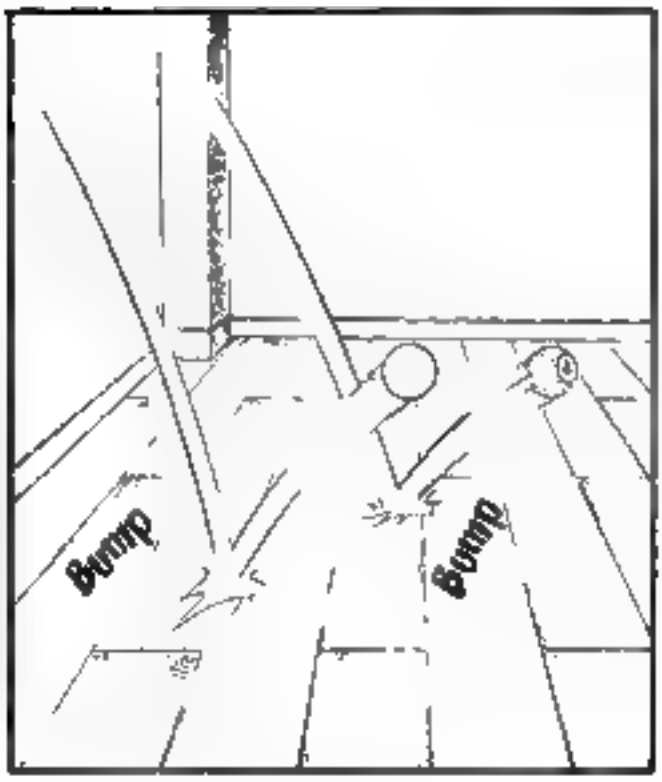
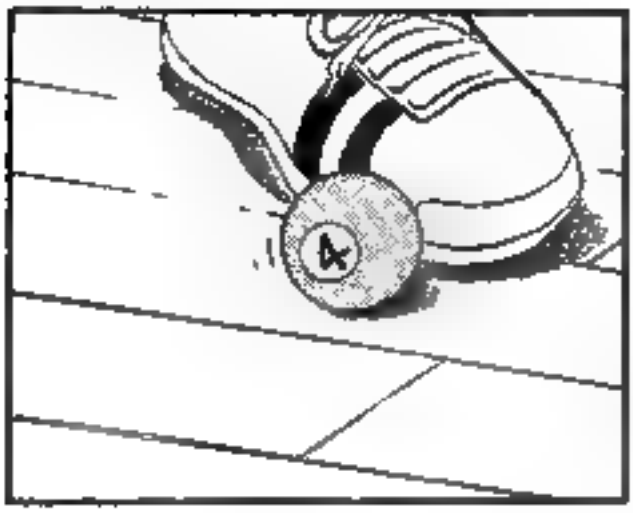
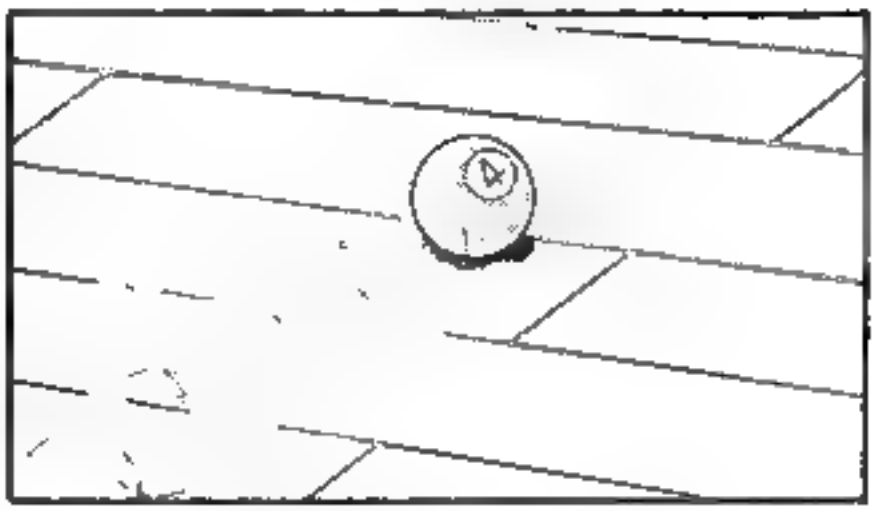
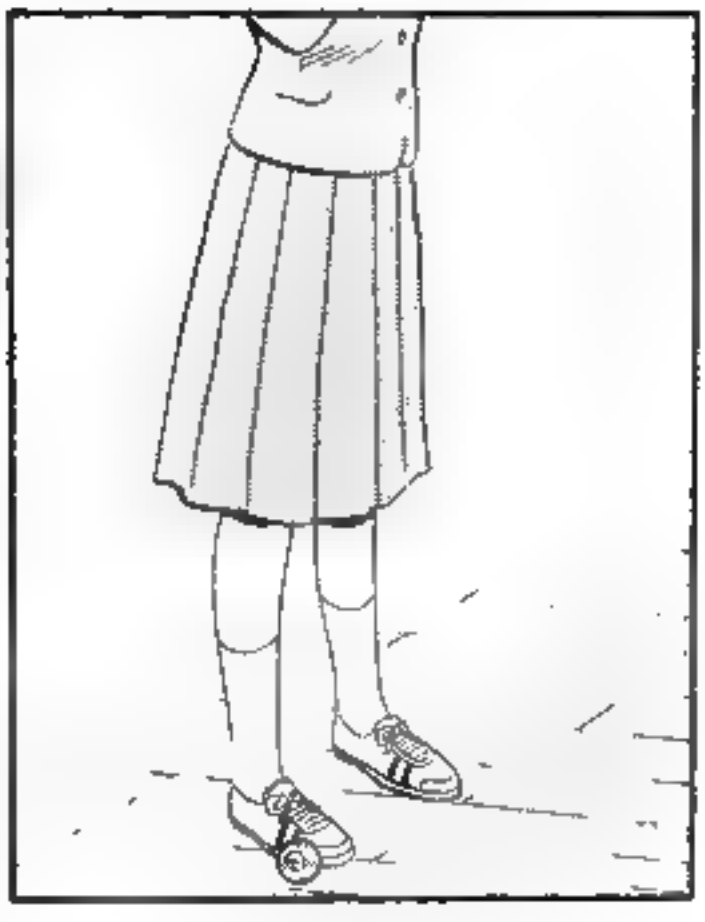





Bump
Bump







LOOKS LIKE THE SHAPE OF THE DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE HAS BEEN SEEN..!

THEY BOTH JUMPED!

YOU MADE THE SHOT!

Drip
Drip

BLOOD ...?

Drip

IT TURNS OUT THAT THE RATTLE HAS TO BE AMPLIFIED TWICE AS MUCH!

YOU'RE HURT

CHIN-MI!

WILL YOU ABLE TO HANDLE THE NATIONALS LATER WITH YOUR HAND LIKE THAT?

BECAUSE I ADDED TOO MUCH POWER ON THE LAST SHOT

I MEAN IT, CHINMI!

NOT TO WORRY

WELL, JUST LET THIS HEAL FIRST

D.H.S. BY THEN

I'LL BE FINE, AND I'LL HAVE PERFECTED THE

THAT'S STILL A FEW DAYS FROM NOW

IN KANTO I WAS DEFEATED BY DOMON, AND HE'S ALSO BETTER THAN PAUL

MS. SAEKI FROM KYUSHU MANAGED TO DEFEAT ALL THOSE VETERANS

I MUSN'T LOSE TO THEM

GRAB

THE KEY TO VICTORY LES N THE DOUBLE HEADED SNAKE

I'LL SHOW YOU ALL

American Circuit

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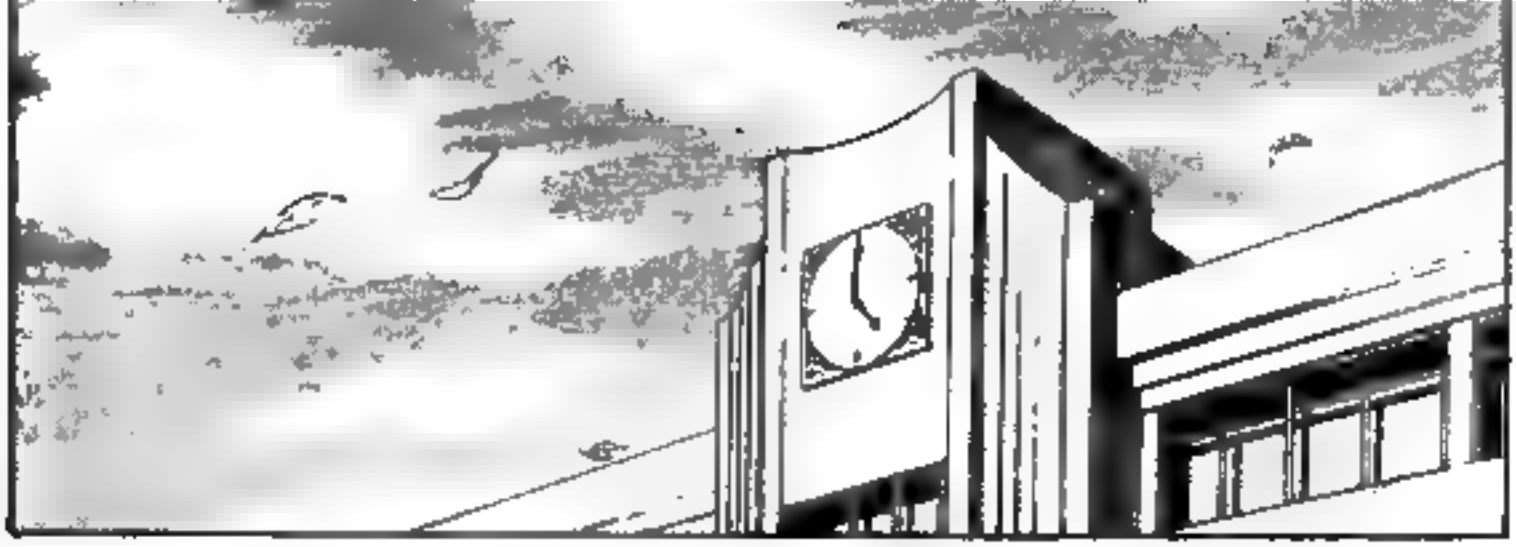
I GOTTA GET THAT TICKET TO THE AMERICAN CIRCUIT

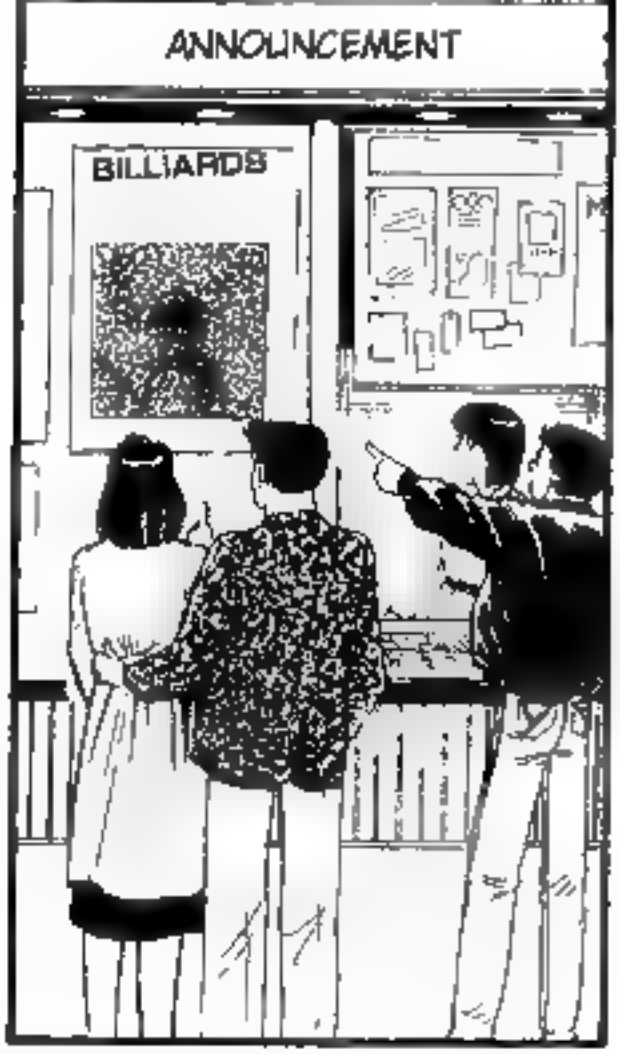


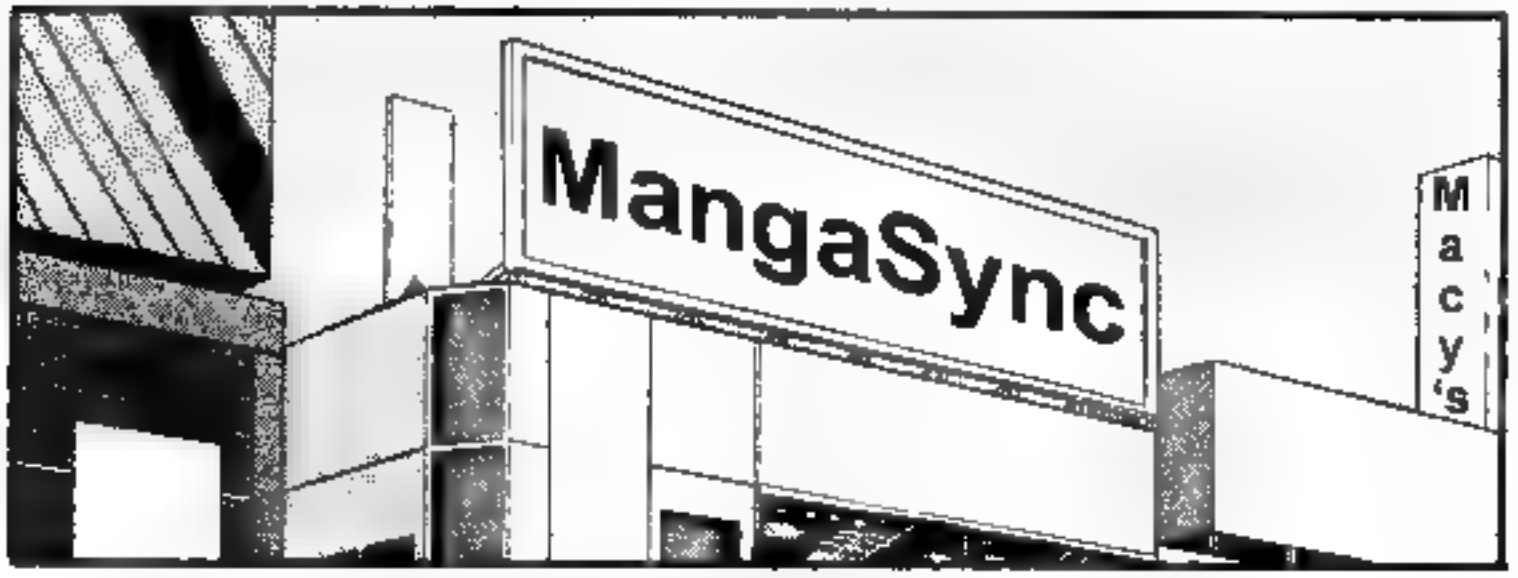
ONE YEAR HAS PASSED
AND SO, THE SECOND SEMESTER WENT BY

AND A NEW ONE BEGINS

BILLIARDS
9-Ball National Championships

March 21, 1989
Nippon Budokan





YEAH, I'M BRAIN DEAD NOW

YOGA, YOU HAVING TROUBLE WITH YOUR ARTICLE?

AAARG... WHAT CAN I WRITE?

WHO KNOWS, MAYBE YOU'LL PICK THE RIGHT ONE

WELL, WHY DON'T YOU JUST TAKE A PICK,

I REALLY DON'T KNOW

FROM HOKKAIDO IN THE NORTH AND OKINAWA IN THE SOUTH, THEY ARE ALL 1ST CLASS PLAYERS

WHO'S GONNA WIN THIS GREAT MATCH?

THERE ARE 9 BALLS, AND ALL OF THEM ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT

GIVING ME A HEADACHE, TOO

I GUESS A MATCH THIS BIG IS GONNA DRAW A LOT OF PEOPLE

SINCE DEMAND KEEPS ON RISING

TICKET PRICES IN BUDOKAN ARE THROUGH THE ROOF

SO JUST WRITE, YOU KNOW, FIRST BALL WENT IN AND SO ON AND SO FORTH

LOOK, YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF COVERING THIS STORY, RIGHT?

THE DAYS ROLL BY AND CONTENDERS FROM ALL OVER JAPAN KEEP COMING

TOMORROW
IS COMING
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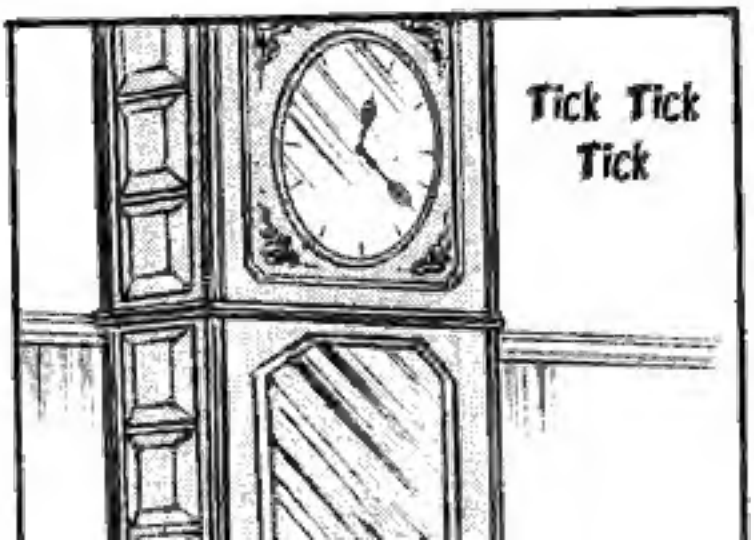
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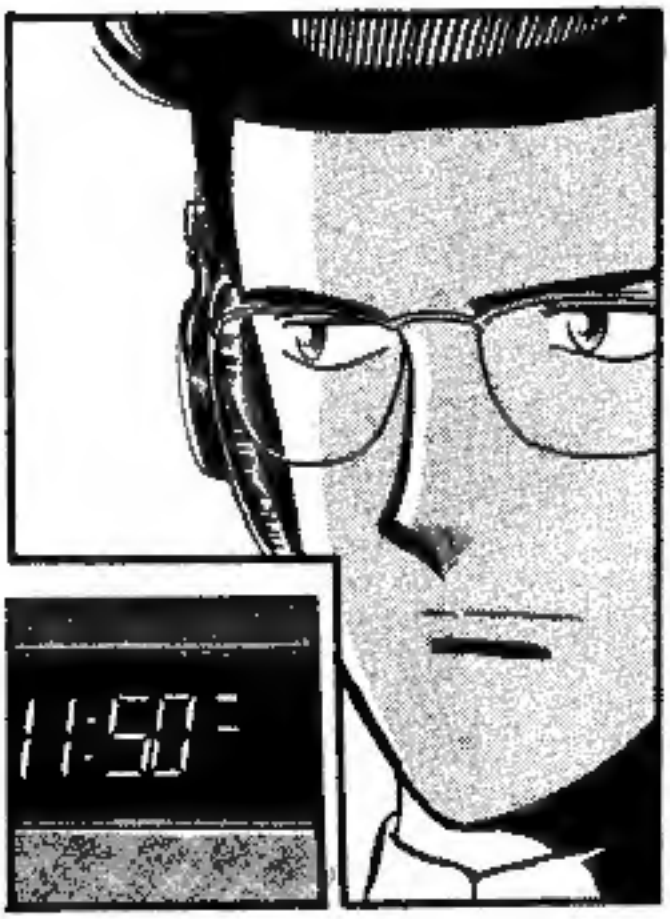
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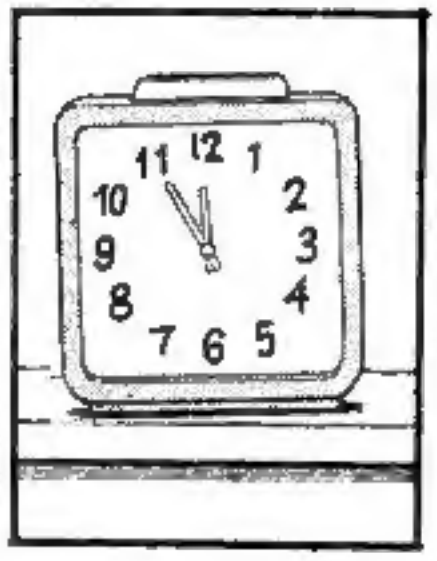
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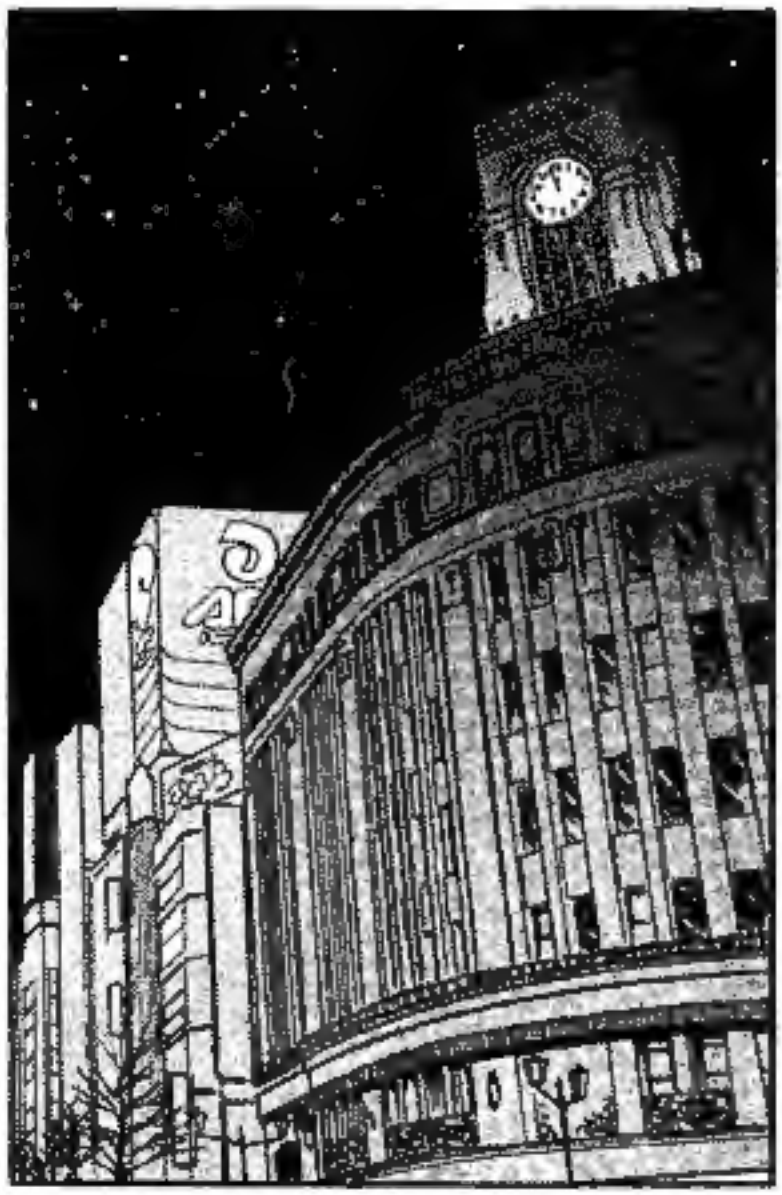

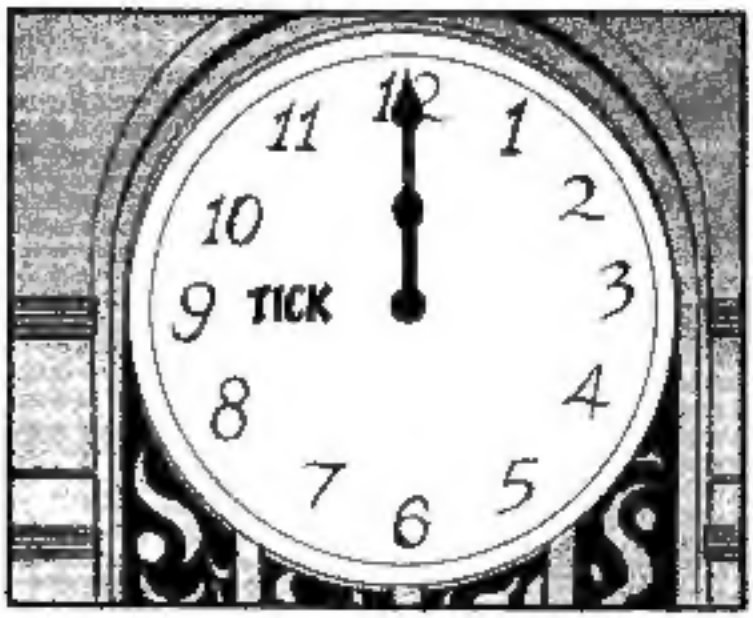
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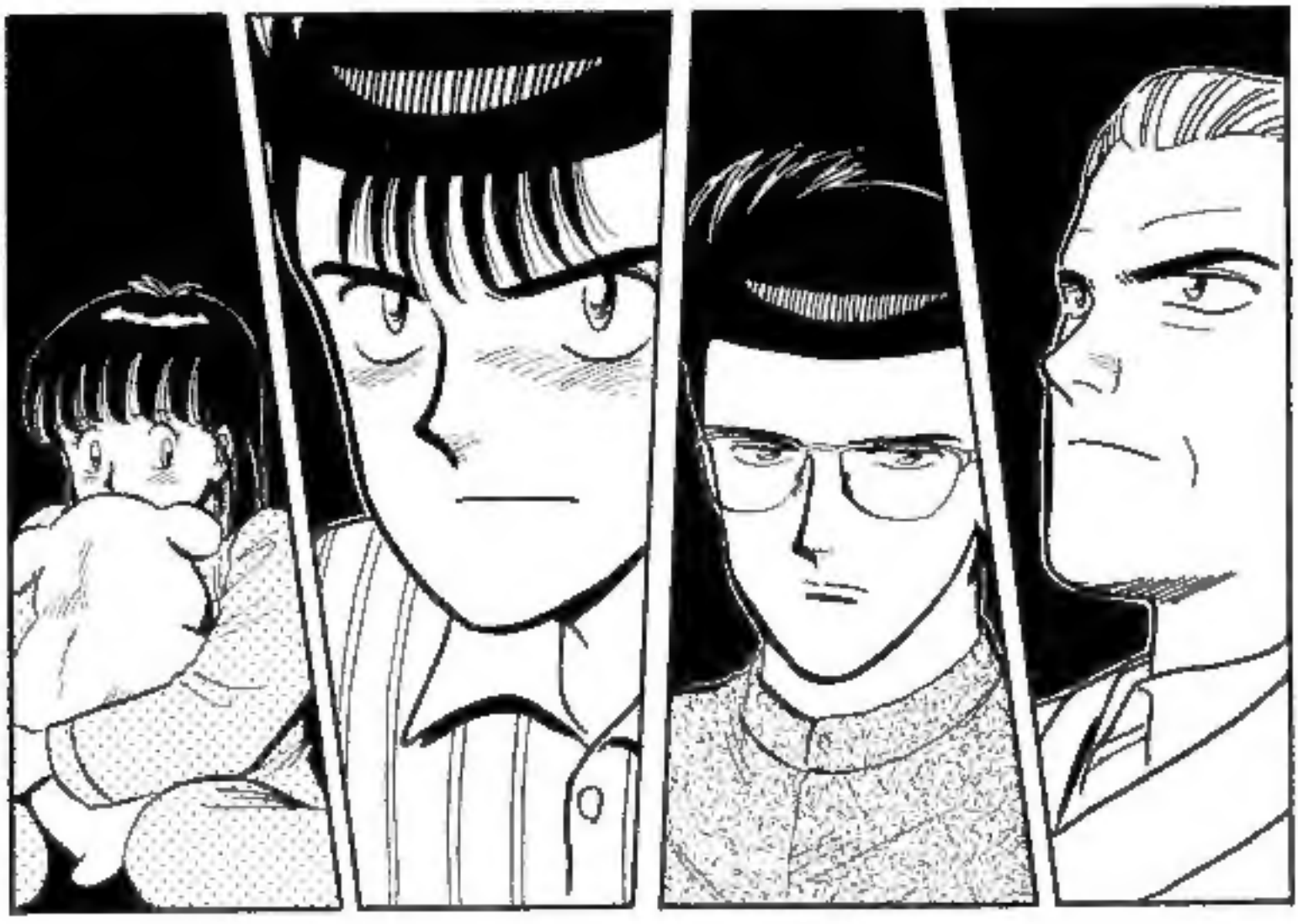

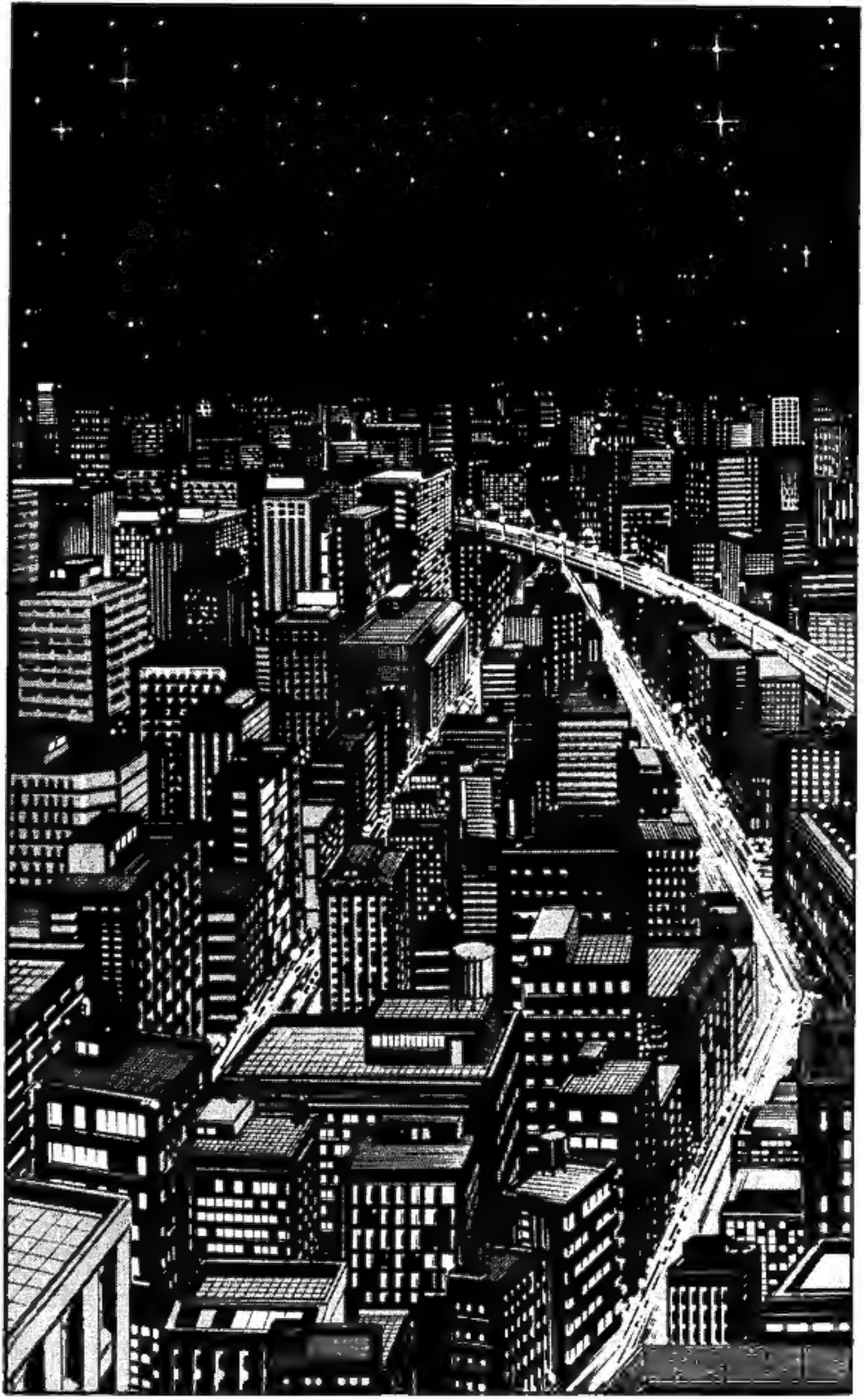

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